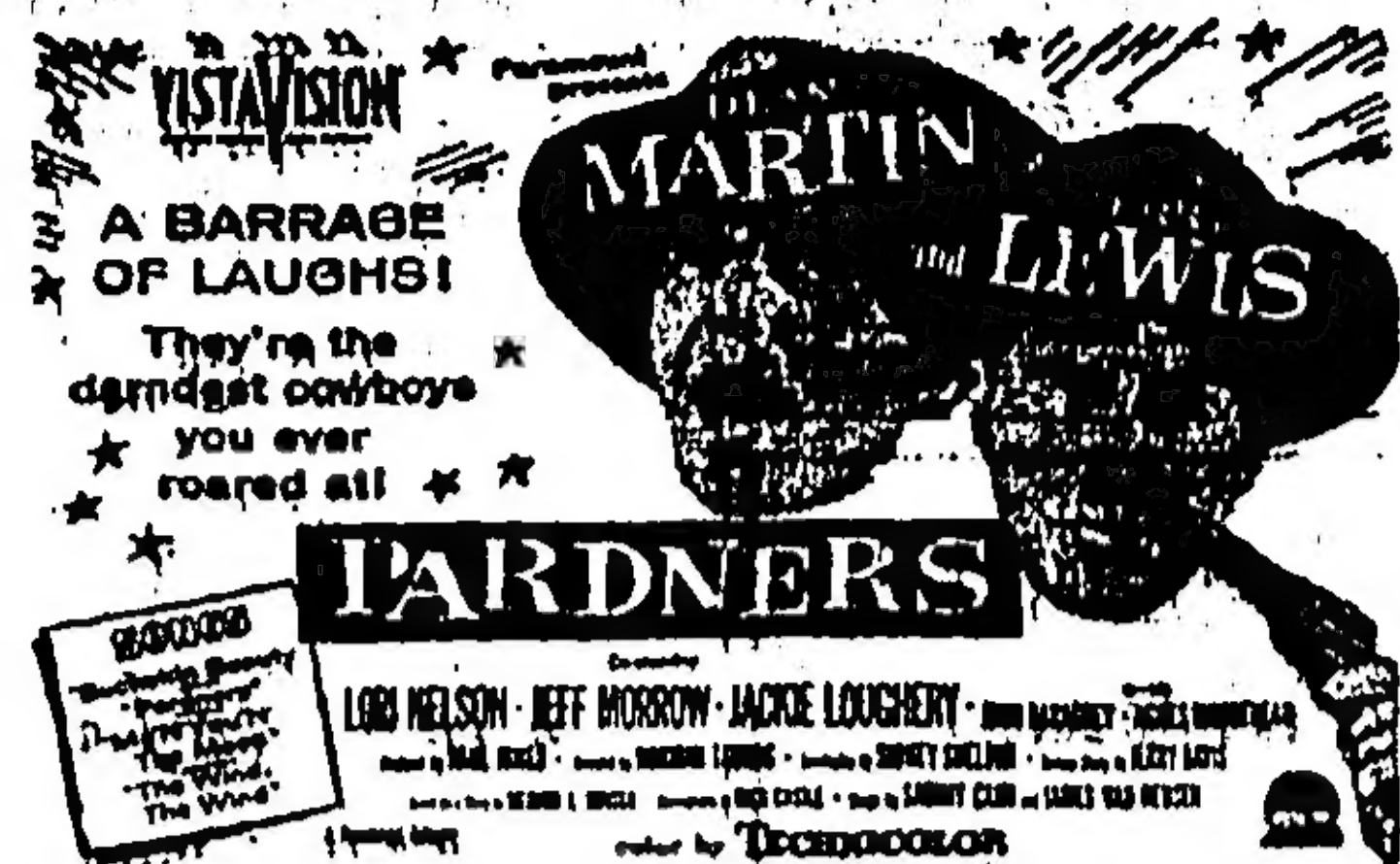


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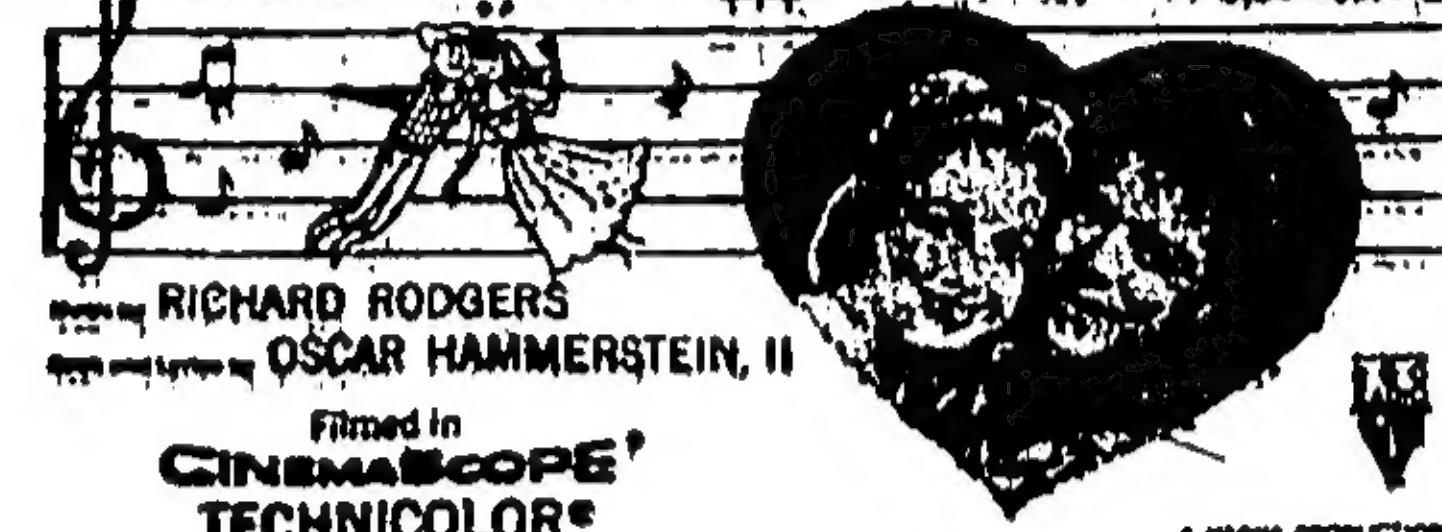
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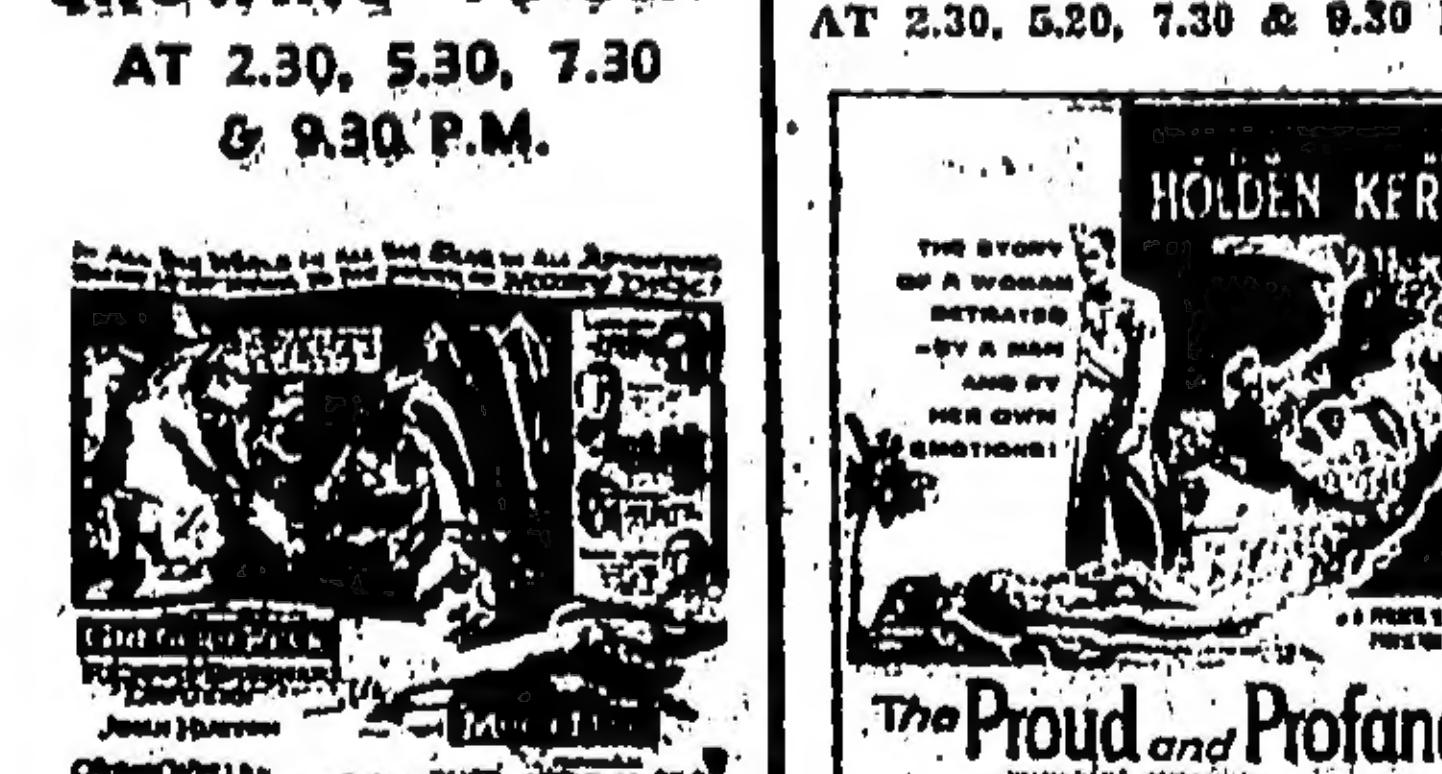
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CONCESSIONS FOR HUNGARY POSSIBLE THOUSANDS OF JEWS FLEE TO ISRAEL

Genoa, Dec. 30. At least 15,000 Jews fleeing Egypt are passing through this Italian port in a mass exodus to Israel, the Jewish authorities said here today.

Israeli diplomats and the Italian Jewish community are handling the operation with such quiet smoothness that it has passed almost unnoticed by Genoa residents to date.

Ironically, the refugees have to travel 4,000 miles back and forth to reach a country which is next door to Egypt. The state of war between Egypt and Israel prevents direct communication between the two countries. Refugees are being sent to Italy, 2,000 miles away. They have to cover the 2,000 miles back again in the opposite direction to get to Israel.

Conservative

One of the first groups—about 300—left here for Israel two days ago on the Israeli ship Arza. The Israeli Consul, Lello Vittorio Valobra, who is handling the exodus, said several hundred refugees from Egypt already had arrived and he expected the final figure to be at least 15,000.

"This is a conservative prediction," he said. "But we are geared to handle them all, and they will all find jobs and a chance to start a new life in Israel."

Mr. Valobra said most of the Jews expelled from Egypt were citizens of European nations, but had been living in Egypt for years or generations.

Many of them no longer spoke the language of the country whose passports they held.—United Press.

Refugees Said Communists

Washington, Dec. 30. Democratic Representative Francis Walter (Pennsylvania) said today that he was absolutely convinced that many of the Hungarian refugees admitted to the United States had been members of the Communist Party, and should be investigated.

Walter, who was co-author of the Walter-McCarran immigration act, said all the Hungarian refugees should be admitted to the country only on parole until an inquiry into their past had been carried out.—France-Press.

Damascus, Dec. 30. Syrian President, Shukri Kwattil, is to pay an official visit to Pakistan and India during January, informed sources said.

Kwattil is to spend about 10 days in Pakistan before going to India. He will be accompanied by Foreign Minister, Salah Bittar, Information Director, Fawad Cayeb, and presidential protocol director, Abdallah Khani.

The visit was originally scheduled for last November, but was postponed because of events in Egypt.—France-Press.

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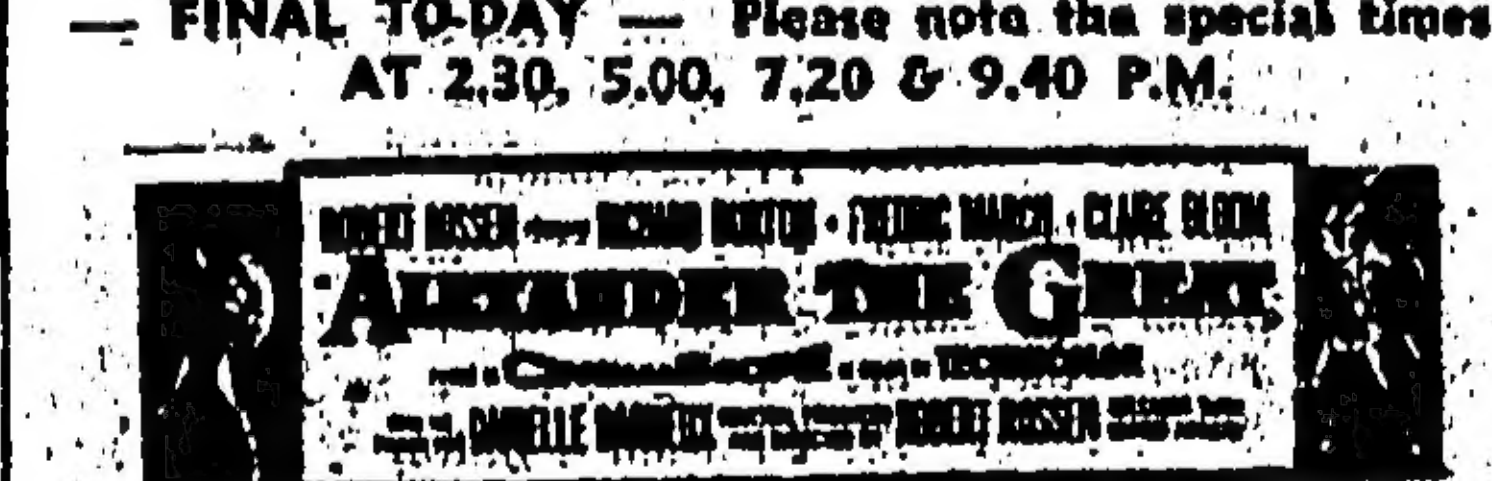
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Western Loans May

Force Soviet Russia's Hand

By RONALD FARQUHAR

Budapest, Dec. 30.

Hungary's need of Western loans, conceded in an official newspaper here today, may influence her Communist rulers to make appreciable concessions to the people's demands for greater freedom, in view of some Western diplomatic observers here.

The Soviet-backed government of Premier János Kádár might consider that by taking steps to liberalise their regime, they would win a more sympathetic hearing for requests for financial aid from Western countries, these observers said.

The Socialist Workers' (Communist) Party newspaper, Nép Szabadság, said foreign loans were urgently needed for Hungary "to avoid inflation and restore our economy."

Soviet Loan

Preliminary talks had begun with some capitalists as well as Communist states and "it is expected that the West will contribute with considerable loans to alleviate our economic difficulties."

The newspaper said the Soviet Union promised a loan including 10 million dollars (\$17,850,000 sterling) in free, hard currency and agreement would be concluded soon with other Communist countries.

Economic sources said they believed loans from other East European countries would be restricted as many, particularly Poland and Rumania, had their own economic troubles.

Observers pointed out that the main demands of the Hungarian uprising—withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungary, free elections, a broader, more representative government, and the reinstatement of Imre Nagy, deposed Prime Minister now living in Rumania—had gained Western sympathies.

They did not expect all or any to be carried in full. But they thought the Kádár Government might be willing to give ground on some issues in the hope that this would induce the West to look upon their regime less harshly when considering requests for aid.

Impossible

The observers believed it was impossible for Kádár to take any such action without Soviet approval and it was uncertain how far the Russians, less directly affected by economic disaster in Hungary, would be prepared to go.

An "optimistic view" voiced in some Western diplomatic circles was that the Russians might be ready to make an agreement on the stationing of Soviet troops in Hungary similar to that signed recently with Poland.

They might also consider a government broadened to include the leaders of some non-Communist parties, particularly the Smallholders, and a greater measure of freedom for religion.

Because of the admitted weakness of the new Hungarian Communist Party they would be less likely to allow the Government the same independence of Soviet control granted to Poland where the Communist Party headed by Wladyslaw Gomulka was strong.

Confined To Room

Rumours that Mr. K. P. S. Menon, Indian ambassador in Moscow, had at present visiting Budapest, had talked with a Smallholders Party leader, Mr. Zoltan Tildy, about a broadening of the Kádár Government, were denied by Indian legation sources.

An Indian spokesman said "we know nothing of any such meeting." Mr. Menon has been unwell and confined to his hotel room since he arrived on Christmas eve and has met only members of the legation staff and a few personal friends.—China Mail Special.

GAITSKELL IN UNITED STATES



New York, Dec. 30. The leader of the British opposition Labour Party, Hugh Gaitskell, arrived by plane today from London. Gaitskell will make a lecture tour of the United States.

On his arrival today, he said he hoped the new American policy in the Middle East would contribute to the elimination of the differences between the United States and Britain.

Gaitskell said it was difficult for Britain to take the lead in a policy for the future of the Middle East and strongly hoped that the United States would do so.—France-Press.

Gomulka's New Year Wish

Warsaw, Dec. 30. VADISLAW Gomulka, First Secretary of the Polish United Workers' (Communist) Party, said today that among the things he might wish for Poland in the New Year was "a half milliard dollars credit without any interest."

Replying to a correspondent of the Polish PAP news agency, who asked him about his New Year wishes, Gomulka added: "But I am a realist. I will only make wishes which might be realised in 1957."

The Polish Communist leader called on workers to "produce more, cheaper and better" to increase their well-being. He expressed the desire that every citizen might fully enjoy freedom of thought and action in the way that he believed best for Poland.

NEVER FORGET

Gomulka also sent his wishes to "Poland throughout the world." He expressed the wish that they would never forget their homeland and that they would aid it according to their means to rebuild.

The Prime Minister of Poland, Cardinal Wyszynski, told a PAP correspondent that his wishes were not made "merely" for the year 1957, but for always.

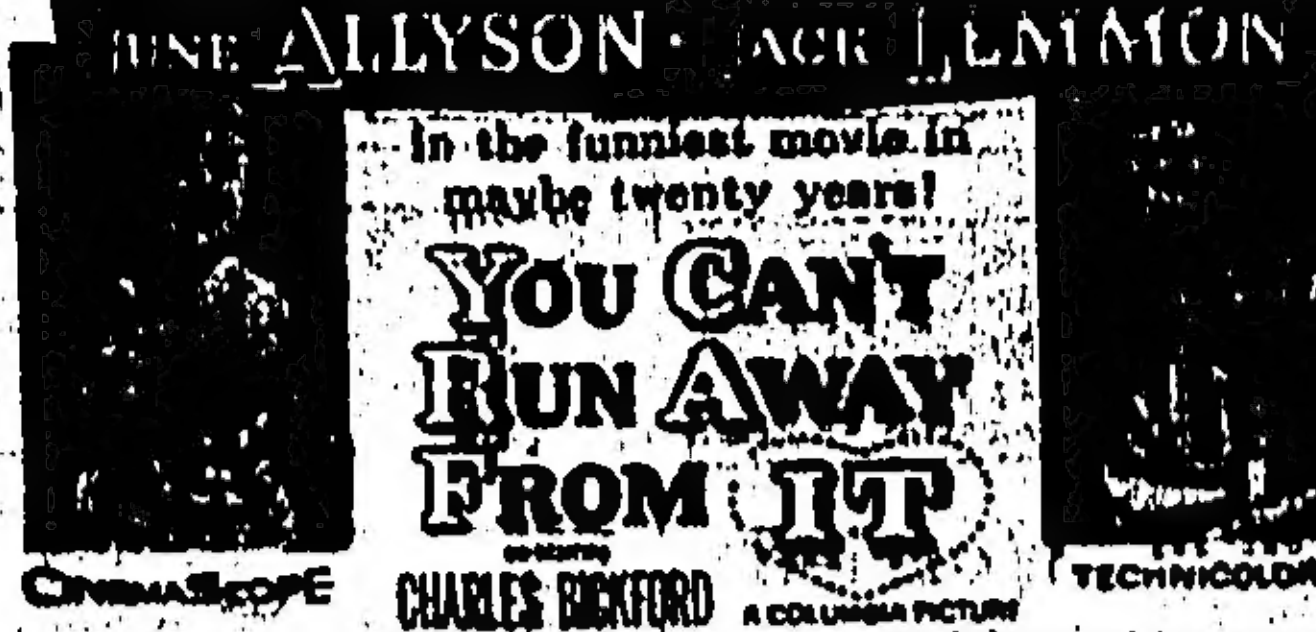
"I wish for my Fatherland that all its children will be ready to give it all their blood, sweat and tears," he said. "I wish that the Polish people will succeed in overcoming all the difficulties which can hinder the unity of all citizens," he said.

Cardinal Wyszynski said the Polish people will be ready to give it all their blood, sweat and tears.

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Karl Marx Was Wrong

ISRAELI WARNING

Navigational Freedom Of Akaba

Jerusalem, Dec. 30. Walter Eytan, head of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, said today that freedom of navigation in the Gulf of Akaba, on the Red Sea, was the only guarantee that Egypt would consent to freedom of navigation in the Suez Canal.

Eytan stressed the importance for the entire world of finding another route to replace the Suez, and maintained that the Gulf of Akaba and the Israeli Red Sea port of Eilat offered such a route.

He said that as long as the Gulf of Akaba remained open to international navigation, Egypt would not be tempted to block the Suez Canal, and even if she did block it, it could be bypassed and the blockade would only injure Egypt herself, he said.

Remilitarise Sinai

In a speech broadcast over the Israeli radio, Eytan warned of the danger that Egypt would again block the Gulf of Akaba if she took over the Sinai Peninsula.

He said that if Israel withdrew from the Sinai Peninsula as scheduled, the United Nations forces would take over there. But in turn the United Nations forces would have to withdraw when Egypt demanded it. Egypt could then remilitarise Sinai and again block the Gulf of Akaba.—France-Press.

Hungarian Jurist Rehabilitated

Budapest, Dec. 30. Hungarian jurist, Josef Szabo, who was imprisoned from 1950 to 1955 for having publicly criticised the government's arbitrary judicial procedures, has been rehabilitated, it was announced today.

Szabo will shortly resume his former duties as Dean of the Law Faculty at the University of Szeged, the announcement said.—France-Press.

CAPITALISM NOT

LIABLE TO COLLAPSE

Washington, Dec. 30.

Top Russian economists no longer expect the collapse of Western capitalism and look for a long period of competitive struggle with the United States, an American economist said today.

Grover W. Enslay, executive director of the House Senate Economic Committee, said he learned of the "revolution" in Soviet economic thought during a recent meeting in Moscow with seven top Russian economists at the Soviet Academy of Sciences.

Writing in the current issue of Nation's Business, Enslay said "anything can happen" as Kremlin leaders, fearful of satellite unrest, "come to understand this new concept that capitalism won't destroy itself."

May Panic

"Time, they have stated over and over again, is in their favour," he said. "Once they realise fully that time is not in their favour they may panic. We can never for a moment lower our guard against that possibility."

Enslay said it is the younger Soviet economists who now believe Karl Marx was wrong when he predicted the collapse of Western capitalism. But older ones, he said, still believe the United States will suffer another "1929-type crash."

But he added that the "younger, more flexible, Soviet economists are gaining stature and power in economic circles. They undoubtedly will produce 'significant changes' in Communist policies, he said.

Enslay said it is clear Russia will try to bind her satellite countries more closely by concentrating on a "decentralisation" programme that will make them economically dependent on one another and on her.

Laissez Faire

In the future each country will have more voice in determining its production, Enslay said. The Soviet economists emphasised their "discovery" of the "laissez faire economies of the division of labour and com-

parative advantage," he added. "By that they meant, as they put it, that Poland would produce what she can most economically produce, with Czechoslovakia, Russia and China doing the same and then trading with one another."

Military Danger

To encourage "local initiative" among the workers, Enslay said the Soviets have instituted "almost a profit motive." Much Russian labour now is on a "piece basis" to stimulate production, a far cry from the Marx doctrine of "from each according to his ability, to each according to his need."

Enslay said he found the younger Soviet economists "were clearly impressed by capitalist achievements" and were familiar with recent professional economic publications, documents and research reports from the U.S.

But he said he concluded from his talks that "the Communist economy even with significant changes can never outperform our own." The danger to the United States, he said, "is not so much economic as it is political and military."

A chart accompanying his article showed that in 1955 Russia produced 50 million tons of steel compared to 117 million for the United States and 170 billion kilowatt-hours of electric power compared with 625 billion for the U.S.

Defence Production

The Soviets produced 4 million radio and TV sets as against 14.5 million radios and 7.8 million TV sets for the United States.

The Russians would not tell Enslay what percentage of their total production was going for defence. But he said informed Western estimates place it at 15 per cent. The United States devotes not more than 10 per cent of its production to defence, he noted.—United Press.

Coal: Mainstay Of Britain's Economy

London, Dec. 31. The Chairman of the National Coal Board, Mr James Bowman, forecast today that Britain would have the most progressive coal mining industries in the world when the "great reconstruction schemes" are completed.

In a foreword to a brochure published today commemorating the first 10 years of nationalisation of the industry, he said that coal, even in an age of oil and atomic energy, would continue to be "the mainstay of Britain's prosperity."

The tenth anniversary falls on January 1, 1957.

GREAT DEVELOPMENT

The brochure itself said that Britain's coal industry was in the thick of a great development programme, which would complete its transformation into "one of the most modern and efficient undertakings in the country."

Of the future, the brochure said the demand from fuel and power would continue to increase in the next decade, but however swift the advance of nuclear power, it could not for many years contribute "a major part."

Annual coal production now exceeds that in 1948 by 30 million tons. (The latest figures for annual coal production was 221 million tons in 1955). —China Mail Special.

Augusta, Dec. 30. After a weekend's golfing at Augusta in Georgia, President Eisenhower took a plane back to Washington this evening to prepare for his meeting with leading Congressmen on January 1.

The President will meet the Congressmen at the White House to explain the United States new policy in the Middle East.

'Friar Tuck' Was Put On Diet



SCIENTISTS UNLOCK ATOMIC SECRETS

New York, Dec. 30.

United States scientists made spectacular "break-throughs" in unlocking the secrets of the atom in 1956, but in commercial and military development of nuclear energy it was a year of undramatic refinement.

In pure science, probing the "world - within - the - atom," American scientists announced in June positive detection of the neutrino, one of the components of the atom whose existence had been deduced but never before proved.

Last Friday Dr Luis Alvarez announced a laboratory method of using hydrogen atoms a success which gave another glimpse of a means to harness the fury of the hydrogen bomb for peaceful purposes.

Both these successes were sensations in the scientific world though promising no immediate practical benefit.

Less Spectacular

Less spectacular was the tremendous expansion by industrial corporations of work on reactors to produce electrical power or promote new experiments.

In 1956, private companies began construction of, or received contracts for, 59 new nuclear reactors, including 29 to produce power (electrical or to drive ships) and 30 for research purposes.

They will be built for the United States Government, for private companies or for export overseas. These companies also continued work on 17 reactors ordered in 1955, and completed two.

The private corporations were stimulated by a progressive easing during the year of restrictions by the Atomic Energy Commission on use of the peaceful uses of nuclear energy—gained partly as a by-product of building hydrogen and atomic bombs.

But the great diversity of research in the United States, part of the drive to find the most economical type of power reactor to produce electricity as cheaply as conventional generators—is openly admitted by American scientists to have left them well behind Britain in the international "reactor race."

Coal Shortage

Britain, faced by a coal shortage, standardised on a simple and serviceable type of reactor in 1956, and fed electricity into the grid from Calder Hall on October 17, this year.

The first comparable United States nuclear power station, built half by the Government and half privately at Shippingport, Pennsylvania, will not become active until 1957.

The British Government outlined its plans for 12 nuclear power stations in the next ten years in a White Paper issued in February, 1956.

But renewed pressure because of the Middle East crisis—and the British Government's statement that "the present possible peace"—are expected to lead to considerable acceleration of Britain's atomic energy programme.

United States scientists, too, have been urged to speed up their work on nuclear energy. —China Mail Special.

British actor Alexander Gaur, who plays "Friar Tuck" in a television "Robin Hood" series, has recently returned to the TV studios after a severe illness. He lost 21 lb in weight during his absence—and his doctor has told him he must diet strictly. So in this picture Alec is strictly play-acting. Ah, temptation!—Express Photo.

RED RESHUFFLE

Streamlining Russian Economy

Moscow, Dec. 30.

The appointment of Mr Ivan Tevosyan, hitherto "overlord" of the Soviet ferrous metal industry, as new Russian Ambassador to Japan and his release from Premiership "is seen here as another 'efficiency reshuffle' in streamlining the top-level direction of the Russian economy."

Though the post of first Soviet Ambassador to Japan since World War Two is undoubtedly an important one, Mr Tevosyan has not previously had any diplomatic experience.

There was no doubt among Western observers that the change represented demotion for Mr Tevosyan who has been in charge of the Soviet ferrous metal industry since before the war.

OUTPUT DOWN

Observers pointed out that the resolutions of the recent Soviet Communist Party Central Committee meeting called for improved management of the nation's economy and at the same time stated that the planned output of metal would not be reached this year.

This latest reshuffle is the most important move since the Christmas Day announcement that Mr M. G. Mervukhin had been appointed Chairman of the State Planning Commission in place of Mr M. Z. Saburov.

Like Saburov, Tevosyan held his position right through the latter years of Stalin's rule.

Tass announced Mr Tevosyan's new appointment last night.—China Mail Special.

Egyptian Wounds Must Be Healed Says Editor

London, Dec. 30.

The "wound inflicted on Egypt and other Middle East countries" must heal before the United Nations Middle East police force can "function effectively as a keeper of the peace," Mr Devadas Gandhi declared today in a letter to the Observer.

Mr Gandhi, Managing Editor of the Hindustan Times, was writing to this independent Sunday newspaper to comment on a plan for the Middle East proposed by the Observer.

In his letter, Mr Gandhi said: "I have read with interest the detailed plan produced by a group of independent experts, and published in your column, on December 18, for the future functioning of UNEF in the Middle East."

Sympathetic

"The plan commands respect because of its sympathetic approach, but much will depend on how Nasser and the leaders of the other Muslim states in the area, and Israel, react to it. If UNEF is looked upon by some of them as an imperial force in disguise, the plan can hardly be expected to work smoothly."

"But UNEF, as a body eager to help the area to develop its economy and protect its security, can certainly perform a major service which may well take the world by surprise."

"In my opinion, however, after the recent Anglo-French, Israeli aggression, Egypt and its neighbouring states will require to be nursed back with the utmost friendliness and tolerance into a mood of fruitful trust and co-operation."

Active Efforts

"This calls for active efforts by disinterested individuals of high personal standing and calibre who are prepared to give time and attention to the Middle East rather than a show of force, even though this were under the United Nations label."

"The wound inflicted on Egypt and other Middle East countries must heal before UNEF can function effectively as a keeper of the peace," Mr Gandhi said.

North Sumatra Troops Still Missing

Djakarta, Dec. 30.

The whereabouts of rebel army Colonel Maludin Simbolon, and the 300 troops who fled from Medan, North Sumatra, last Thursday, are still unknown, the Medan radio reported today.

Simbolon was replaced by Lieutenant Colonel Janis Ginting five days ago, after he had announced that the territory under his command had broken away from the central government.

Ginting, who remained loyal to the central government, gave Simbolon and his men seven days to return. Sixteen of the rebels have so far surrendered.

DISCUSSED FATE

At Djakarta, the leaders of the coalition government parties today discussed the fate of the central government, but failed to reach a decision.

Premier Ali Ghestomijono's Nationalist Party wanted the Cabinet to be maintained, while the Muslim Nahdlatul Ulama Party wanted to favour a thorough reshuffle. The Muslim Marsumi and the minor Catholic and Christian parties reportedly wanted the Cabinet to resign. —France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Gap (6).
- 2 Merchandise (5).
- 3 Opening (6).
- 4 Divert (5).
- 5 Soundless (6).
- 6 Gem (7).
- 7 Dure (7).
- 8 Spot (6).
- 9 Temporary settlements (6).
- 10 League (8).
- 11 Pub some call a joint (5).
- 12 Seat (6).

DOWN

- 1 Cures (6).
- 2 Concise (5).
- 3 Speak imperfectly (7).
- 4 Elbow lubricant (6).
- 5 Sublim (6).
- 6 Make the butter go further? (6).
- 7 Embrocation (6).
- 8 Interfere with (7).
- 9 Prey (6).
- 10 Insecure (6).
- 11 Feature (6).
- 12 Subject (6).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Damp, 4 Captive, 8 Room, 9 Trio, 10 Nursing, 11 Seal, 12 Pile, 14 Losses, 17 Adorn, 18 Basin, 22 Shelter, 23 Mound, 27 Cite, 28 Butted, 29 Neat, 30 Seed, 31 Lioness, 32 Set, 33 Down, 34 Atrium, 35 Proper, 4 Canal, 5 Amulet, 6 Toss, 7 Range, 12 Pass, 13 Lone, 15 Elm, 16 Bond, 18 Recast, 20 Amends, 21 Intact, 23 Hourly, 24 Latin, 25 Ride.

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IN THE WASHINGTON WASH:

THE POLITICAL VACUUM LEADS TO CONFUSION

By ALEXANDER BROAD

Americans have suddenly become sensitive. The Washington and the New York papers have been overflowing with column after column of small print recording what the British think about the Americans, what the French think about the Americans, what the Indians think about the Americans, and even what the Canadians think about the Americans.

In part, this is due to a political vacuum. The State Department is busily drafting a new policy—admission in itself that the old policy just wasn't doing the trick.

But little of it has shown in print so far.

Dull Stuff

Again, although the atmosphere of crisis is still present, there is enough crisis activity going on.

Americans find the controversy over who will clear the Suez Canal and for whom pretty dull stuff. Nor are they much excited about other peoples' economic crises. So far, apart from the fact that there is a shortage of place cherries for the Christmas-New Year season, there hasn't been any economic crisis here.

The result is that the papers have fallen back on other peoples' thoughts about America.

No one is surprised that the British and French are not enthusiastic about America—lovers again yet. But rumblings from Canada that the Suez crisis was as much a result of America's bungling as of any-

body else, and signs that Canada is determined to have opinions of its own and voice them, even when it upsets one or both of its British and American allies, are alarming. Americans tend to think of Canada as almost an appendage of their own country.

Canadians don't like this, and Americans don't say it too loudly. But they are used to thinking it.

As to the Indians, Americans are not entirely happy to find that the Indians, suddenly, do approve of them.

This is a curious psychological state of affairs.

The State Department has long been saying that Americans must be friends with India. And Americans on the street have not disputed this proposition.

But this does not mean that they approve, on the whole, of Nehru's policy, nor that they are likely to be easy in the mind when India approves of them.

A state of amicable disapproval seems to be what they would like to see.

India's kiss, they fear, may be the kiss of death. They suspect that Mr. Nehru's other friends—the Communists—must have gained something if such warmth is forthcoming.

This may, of course, be utter nonsense. But there you are.

Backroom Battle

The confusion and the vacuum, of course, are just what the isolationists like best, and it is hard, after reading the papers, to blame any American who wants to abandon the rest of the world to its madness.

Nor is the situation helped at all by the fact that there is a behind-the-scenes battle going on in the Cabinet.

Mr. Humphrey, the Secretary of the Treasury, has been

suspected by suggestions that a new, if much smaller, Marshall Plan may be on the way. He has never been a foreign aid enthusiast, and the thought that a new aid programme may appear just as he is getting to show a budget surplus, alarms him even more.

Furthermore, he is not happy about the departure of Mr. Herbert Hoover Jr. and the arrival of Mr. Herter in his place as chief lieutenant to Mr. Dulles.

Hoover has always been Humphrey's ally and the State Department's only top level doubter on foreign aid. Mr. Herter is a foreign aid enthusiast.

All this merely makes Mr. Humphrey more determined than ever. And President Eisenhower, who often seems to distrust his own grasp of government finance, may, in the long run, be influenced by him.

Christmas Sales

Shopkeepers are gloomy. Preliminary statistics show that, almost everywhere, Christmas takings were below last year's.

The reasons are something of a mystery. There has, for instance, recently been a minor boom in auto sales—so the explanation isn't that people have not any money.

Personal savings, indeed, are going up.

One reason may be the upsurge of religious feeling, coupled with the fact that high powered Christmas advertising seems to have outdone itself.

There may be something of a reaction against the ever-increasing commercialisation of Christmas. Perhaps the unsettled world situation prompted a few people to look beneath the tinsel for a deeper meaning in Christmas.

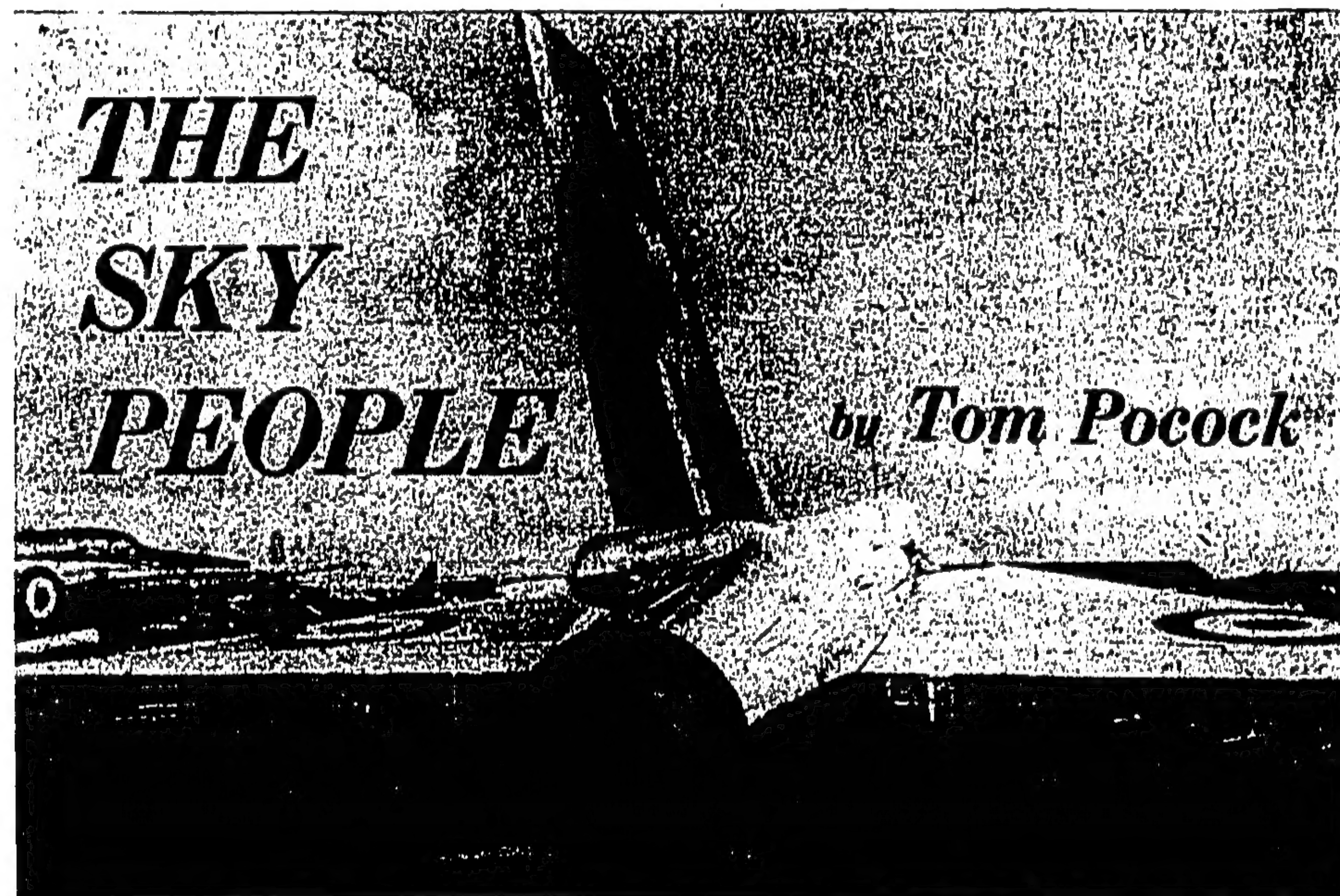


"Decorations are an essential part of the gaiety of Christmas... the whole family is drawn closer together by the fragile links of a paper chain."

It is Britain's most expensive school. The fees are £16,000 a year. That's what it costs to teach a man to fly planes like this...

THE SKY PEOPLE

by Tom Pocock



THE most exclusive school in Britain stands among the pines on the outskirts of Farnborough. Like other Hampshire preparatory schools it is on the small side: only 34 pupils this term. It is also expensive. Very, very expensive.

The Principal (S. Wroath) is speaking to a potential pupil on the telephone. "Got to remember the fees are inclusive, old boy. I know £16,000 a year sounds a lot, but that includes everything."

It includes, according to the curriculum, the development of common sense and judgment, tact and deportment, self-reliance and adaptability. It also includes the use of a Delta jet fighter and many thousands of gallons of aviation fuel.

This is the Empire Test Pilots' School. The preparatory school for the next era in the history of flight. Perhaps also the school which, some day, send one of its graduates out in the first flying machine to break away from gravity and into space.

INDEPENDENCE

THE pupils here wear uniform, but this could never be an ordinary officers' mess.

It is not just that they are older than average squadron pilots and crews. It is not just that while most wear R.A.F. or R.N. blue, there are men from Canada, Australia, the United States, France, Italy, Belgium, Sweden, and India. It is rather that here there is a unique spirit and atmosphere.

In the place of the strong, invisible ties that bind together crews and squadrons there is, among these future test pilots, marked individuality. There is a feeling of independence.

Look at them as they sit at their schoolroom desks, or over their coffee in the mess room, leafing through *Pilot's Notes* or aviation magazines.

They are in their late twenties, most of them. Each man is already a skilled pilot. Each looks tough and self-reliant. Each knows that he is being prepared to face and tackle massive and sometimes unknown physical forces—and tackle them alone.

LECTURES

THE test pilots' course lasts a year. There are lectures in quiet, sunny classrooms on high-speed flight problems and supersonic airplane design.

There are hours spent in the air, in a Cuckoo, Sea Hawk, or Hawk. There is the experience

privilege of piloting the Delta and knowing that although this is now the newest of them all, it marks only the point where their work will begin.

Look around the walls of the library and the flying school, and there in group photographs and signed portraits are the end-products.

Names like Duke and Lithgow, Twiss and Bedford, Pegg and Martin. These are the stars. Their achievements are within reach of all, but for most their careers will be exacting, sometimes dull, sometimes dangerous, but never resulting in fame.

To understand these future pioneers talk to the men who teach them. First, the Commandant—Group Captain Samuel Wroath, C.B.E., A.F.C., R.A.F.

"Everybody" knows Sammy Wroath. A good man at a party, a good man at the hydraulic controls. A dark, buxom-looking type with a gleam in his eye and a pugnacious set to his jaw.

OLD-TIMER

HE sits at his desk in workmanlike battledress and collar-attached shirt, but you know he would be happier in a pressure suit, sitting in the Delta at 50,000 feet.

Wroath is an old-timer, as test pilots go. He says, "I started in this business at Marham Heath way back in '35. I was just an ex-fighter boy and the selection of test pilots was pretty haphazard."

"One way we tested airplanes was called 'stirring the pudding.' You got airborne, then you moved the control column round and round, as if you were stirring a pudding. If there were no lumps, she was O.K."

There are hours spent in the air, in a Cuckoo, Sea Hawk, or Hawk. There is the experience

Then there was no specialised training for test pilots. Now the curriculum stresses the need for the ability to grasp essentials and a sense of perspective.

"Twenty years ago," says Wroath, "a test pilot's report might be coloured by the party he had had the night before."

In 1943 the first test pilots' training course began at Boscombe Down and, since then,

they must become utterly self-reliant. They must also get to know, and know intimately, their fellow pilots and the designers and technicians with whom they work.

Working at Farnborough with Wroath is his chief test flying instructor, Wing Commander Neil MacDonald, A.F.C., R.A.F. Out of his tailored, worsted battledress he might be a young science don.

These dedicated men, are there many now at Farnborough? No outsider can tell. Perhaps it is too early even for their instructors to know just who has this spark and who is, as they put it, "screwing himself up to do the job." These latter may turn into adequate test pilots—"but very limited."

What does a man need to tackle the riskiest job of all? I'll tell you



DEDICATION

TEN years from now, some of these 34 pupils will be flying airplanes now only imaginative doodles on the drawing board of a Petter or a Camm.

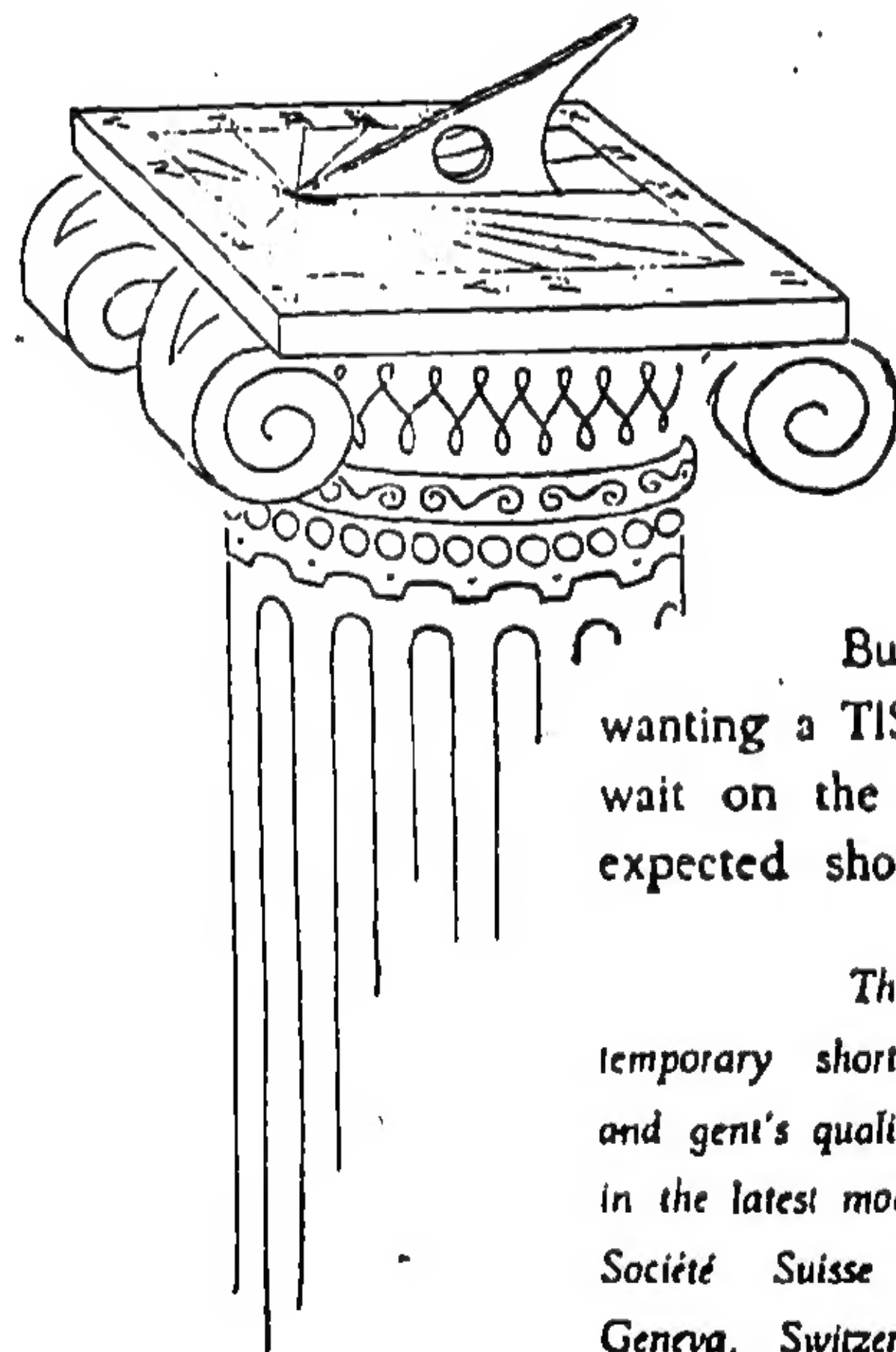
Later, one or two may come to Farnborough to teach a new generation of pupils—and who knows what airplanes they will be called upon to fly?

These, then, are the men in the very vanguard of human endeavour. They will be the leaders of the Sky People.

They may not have the unconscious gaiety and gallantry of the fighter pilots and bomber crews. They can never lead the secure yet varied lives of civil aircrews. Theirs, they know, will be a life in which danger will be a constant factor.

But, then, among these pilots are the dedicated men. One of these days it will probably rather than possibly be such a man who will be called upon to date the greatest adventure of all and fly away from the Earth into Outer Space.

THE END



But if you are one of the many wanting a TISSOT timepiece, it will pay to wait on the arrival of the 1957 collection—expected shortly.

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Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Sixth Race Meeting of the current season starts tomorrow at the Valley and will continue on Saturday, January 5.

There are 10 events on the programme tomorrow, the most important of which is the Stewards Cup. It is a handicap race for Class 1 ponies over Six Furlongs.

The first handicap race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run promptly at 12.00 noon. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

FIRST RACE
(Handicap Handicap (First Section) - One Mile)
The first race is a handicap race for Class 1 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run promptly at 12.00 noon. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

SECOND RACE
(Handicap Handicap (First Section) - One Mile)
The second race is a handicap race for Class 1 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 12.00 noon. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

THIRD RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The third race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 12.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

FOURTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The fourth race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 1.00 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

FIFTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The fifth race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 1.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

SIXTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The sixth race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 2.00 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

SEVENTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The seventh race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

EIGHTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The eighth race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

NINTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The ninth race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

TENTH RACE
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The tenth race is a handicap race for Class 2 ponies over one mile. The race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

STEWARDS CUP
(Handicap Handicap (Second Section) - One Mile)
The Stewards Cup is a handicap race for Class 1 ponies over six furlongs. The race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The time interval will be one hour after the first race and the last race will be run at 2.30 p.m. The weather conditions should be favourable for the racing and a record crowd of racing fans is expected to be present.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE
All persons must wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the gate.

SERVANTS
Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may not account for the horse race or pay out bets in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS
Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$20.00 each for the 1st Day, \$10.00 each for the 2nd Day and \$5.00 each for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), and 5, D'Almeida Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

TOTALISATOR
Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.
Bookmakers, the T.M. men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. Arnold,
Secretary.

Cut this out and take it to the races
tomorrow for your guidance

Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for tomorrow's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

12.00 noon Race 1. LAY TOWN HANDICAP (First Section). Class 1. 1 Mile. Novices.	1.00 p.m. Race 2. BALDYLE HANDICAP (First Section). Class 1. 1 Mile. Novices.
001 Annapola (Lum) 120 lbs.	001 Annapola (Lum) 120 lbs.
002 Serabo (Rodney) 120 lbs.	002 Serabo (Rodney) 120 lbs.
003 So Big (Chew) 120 lbs.	003 So Big (Chew) 120 lbs.
004 Applause (Krausopoff) 120 lbs.	004 Applause (Krausopoff) 120 lbs.
005 Dikooosh (Perceboff) 120 lbs.	005 Dikooosh (Perceboff) 120 lbs.
006 Quetzote (Metrevelly) 120 lbs.	006 Quetzote (Metrevelly) 120 lbs.
007 Aces High (Luskoff) 120 lbs.	007 Aces High (Luskoff) 120 lbs.
008 River of Gold (Metrevelly) 120 lbs.	008 River of Gold (Metrevelly) 120 lbs.
009 Green Velvet (Tokmoff) 120 lbs.	009 Green Velvet (Tokmoff) 120 lbs.
010 Evergreen (Tokmoff) 120 lbs.	010 Evergreen (Tokmoff) 120 lbs.
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1.00 p.m. Race 3. LAY TOWN HANDICAP (Second Section). Class 2. 1 Mile. Novices.	1.00 p.m. Race 4. BALDYLE HANDICAP (Second Section). Class 2. 1 Mile. Novices.
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1.00 p.m. Race 5. LAY TOWN HANDICAP (Third Section). Class 3. 1 Mile. Novices.	1.00 p.m. Race 6. BALDYLE HANDICAP (Third Section). Class 3. 1 Mile. Novices.
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ARMY 2, KITCHEE 1 ARMY FULLY DESERVED A 2-1 VICTORY WITH NO CHANCES MISSED

Says "TOUCHWOOD"

Kitchee, who were placed second in the First Division League, took a plunge downwards yesterday when they suffered a 2-1 defeat after battling to a blank interval score at Caroline Hill. If they had not dithered with the distribution of the ball and had their inside-left, Lee Tai-fai, converted the penalty awarded them in the second half, the least they could have done was to share honours with the Army boys.

It won't do much good for the losers to point a finger at each other. They can blame no one but themselves. Kitchee had just as much of the game as the Army. The difference between the victors and vanquished was that the Army were able to utilise to the fullest all the chances that came their way.

It was just the other way round for Kitchee. Against their tall opponents who do not white shirts and black shorts Kitchee, instead of using low shots, clude the heading-happy Army forward line, repeatedly lofted over shots that more often than not went to the Army boys.

The blitzkrieg tactics used by the Army for the first 30 minutes must have been a little too much for Kitchee. The soldiers literally drew rings round their opponents and when they launched a full scale attack they had Kitchee's goalkeeper, Tam Nai-huen, bringing out his best to stop them from finding the back of the net.

This match will long be remembered for the good goalkeeping by the Army custodian, Allen. It can also be said that it was a goalkeeper's day. On the other side facing Allen was Tam Nai-huen, who was left-handed. But I would give a few more marks to Allen for his timely saves at critical stages.

NOT THE SAME
Kitchee were not the same team as when they had Chan Man-chi. Without Chan yesterday they were a disjointed lot. Gone was the hubbly sound defence and what was left of this deteriorated as the game progressed.

Forwards, Lee Tai-fai, Kwok Yung-ling, Yeung Wai-lo and Soto Sum were quite ineffective. Chan Nai-huen was more of a passenger than of any help for he was completely off his form. The only players who shone for the Kitchee side were Soto Sum, Lee Ping-chai and Kwok Yung-ling.

In the Army side it was hard to single out any particular player who did most for the team apart from goalkeeper Allen. I would say that Fowler at left-half, Hogan at right-back, inside-right Evans and inside-left Martin deserve mention for their hard work.

Bowering at left wing did more than he asked of him when he steadily fed the foraging Army forwards.

To counter the Army's strength, Kitchee reshuffled their forward line-up early in the second half. Left-winger Soto Sum played at right-wing, centre-forward Kwok Yung-ling moved over to play inside-right for Yeung Wai-lo to fill his position. Kwok Yung-ling took over from Lee Tai-fai and Lee played at left-wing.

These changes were made after the Army had scored the equaliser in the 18th minute.

THE PLAY
The Army started the game at a break-neck speed. They had Kitchee bunched up in defence before the 15th minute was over. A good high centre from Griffiths had Tam Nai-huen in the air to effect a timely save.

Kitchee had their first try at goal in the 7th minute when Kwok Yung-ling's ceiling kick but saw the Army custodian just getting his hands to the ball before it did any damage.

The next to test Allen was Soto Sum who crashed in a sizzling drive which nearly ended in a goal were it not that Jones cleared in the nick of time with Kwok Yung-ling hovering round to put in the finishing touch.

INTO THE PICTURE
Then Army came into the picture from the 18th minute. Fowler took a hefty kick but, luckily for the opposition, there was Lui Shue-ping, the Kitchee left-back, who stood beside Tam Nai-huen to head the ball out for a flag kick. This could have been a goal had not Lui

made his way to take a shot at goal and the referee had no hesitation in pointing for a spot kick.

Lee Tai-fai, who was entrusted with the job to score, sent the ball to the middle of the goal line for Allen to save without much difficulty. This missed penalty had a psychological effect on the Kitchee side for they never recovered from this missed goal. It may have been a different story had Kitchee netted this penalty.

The Army's winning goal came in the 38th minute. Higgins crossed over a pass to Evans who tapped in a ground-der to give his team a 2-1 lead and this eventually turned out to be the winning goal.

TEAMS
Army: Allen, Hogan, Sloan, Swan, Jones, Fowler, Griffiths, Evans, Higgins, Martin, Bowering.

Kitchee: Tam Nai-huen, Soto Sum, Lui Shue-ping, Chan Fai-hung, Lee Ping-chai, Kwok Yung-ling, Yeung Wai-lo, Kwok Yung-ling, Lee Tai-fai, Soto Sum.

LEAGUE STANDING
The following are the First Division League soccer standings up to and including December 30:

	P	W	D	L	A.P.
South China	8	7	0	1	34
KMB	8	0	0	2	38
Eastern	8	5	2	1	10
Kitchee	8	5	1	2	21
RAF	9	4	1	4	25
CAA	8	3	3	2	11
Army	8	3	2	1	8
St. Joseph's	8	2	3	1	23
Kwong Wah	8	2	3	2	21
Club	8	1	4	4	23
Police	8	1	1	6	10
Sing Tao	7	1	3	8	17
Navy	8	0	8	1	43

Headache
Do not wait patiently for your suffering to end. Take 2 tablets of CASPIN dissolved in half a glass of water, and headache will soon vanish.

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R.A.F. Party at Kai Tak
Vespa Club Dinner Dance
Boys & Girls Christmas Party
Casam Club Children's Party
Filipino Club Christmas Party
Police Passing Out Parade at Aberdeen
Rotary Club Party at Paramount Ballroom
A.F.S. Band Concert, Macpherson Play Ground
Dress Rehearsal for Native Play at St. John's Cathedral
Party for Patients by St. John's Ambulance at Sandy Bay
H.K. Regiment Band Concert at Memorial Park
U.S. Consuls Party for Staff's Children
Ebenezer Blind House Party, Pokfulam
Joyce's Party at Winner House
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ONE UPSET AS AIRMEN
FAIL TO HOLD ARMY
SOUTH'S FORWARDS

By "PAK LO"

There was only one upset in Saturday afternoon's rugby, when the Airmen at Kai Tak failed to hold the Army South forwards and the result was a clear-cut, well deserved win for the soldiers by 17 points (1 goal, 2 tries, 2 penalty goals) to 3 points (1 try).

As expected the Club had a fairly comfortable win over the Police by 15 points (5 tries) to 6 points (1 try, 1 penalty goal), while on the other side of the harbour the Navy won another two Hexangular points when they outplayed a subdued Army North XV by 19 points (2 goals, 2 tries, 1 penalty goal) to nil.

As a result of these matches there has been another upheaval in the Hexangular Table, as can be seen, with only three points separating the leaders and the fifth team in the table, and although half the Tournament has now been played it is anyone's guess just who will win.

If the Navy can keep the Kanieri in port until the end they would seem to have the rosier chance of annexing the title, but this is one forecast which could all too easily be upset.

Here is the latest table:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Navy	5	3	1	1	54	12	7
Army S	3	3	1	1	44	22	6
Club	3	3	0	2	40	28	6
RAF	3	2	2	1	37	43	4
Army N	3	2	2	1	37	44	4
Police	3	0	0	3	15	111	0

Club v. Police

Right from the start two things were obvious about the Club. The first was the forwards had over the Christmas season died too well if not wisely, for they were slow in the loose and did not cover their halves at all well, and since they stood rooted to the ground in the lineouts it must be presumed that they had too large helpings of Christmas pudding.

There were two exceptions to this, and only two. Gault, home in the loose, and Miller, who was outstanding in every aspect of the game. Secondly, the Club forwards who have until now been the mainstay of the Club, failing to do much, it looked as if the Police should have won, but to make up for it the Club three played their best game to date.

Cheong and van der Merwe in the centre were first class, and they got good service from O'Kelly who, however, spoiled his display by running across field after Young, who Club guest scrum half, had made the opening.

This to a certain extent nullified Young's efforts, but when the Club three got going properly they were always dangerous. Young fully justified his selection as scrum half and quickly settled down.

Lloyd at full back was obviously unhappy and his position was not all that it could have been, but as this is not his usual place it was not too bad an effort.

The Police, on the other hand, were exactly the reverse. Their forwards were excellent and their backs poor. The forwards pushed the ball back regularly enough, and Lewis at scrum half got it away smoothly and cleanly, but that was the end of it for the Police three pushed badly and were far too greedy.

Once again there was an exception in Scott who saw far too little of the ball. He did, after a while, drop back to full back but was wasted, although it was from this position that he made the move which resulted in the only Police try of the match.

He gathered the ball on the touchline and then waved up O'Regan into position and cross kicked beautifully and all O'Regan had to do was gather and touch down.

Of the Police pack Walker, Ross and Forsythe were outstanding, and Cunningham deserves mention for outkicking Moffat time and again.

THE PLAY

It took fifteen minutes before the Club settled down, and they scored in the 16th minute from a lineout on the Police 25 when White, who came in spots, took the ball through the Police lineout and sent Miller

over well out. The conversion was missed. 3-0.

The next score came after strong pressure by the Club, when a line kick by Scott sent play back to the Navy. The Navy then took the ball and sent it down the wing, where it was broken through and went away to finally send Miller over well out. Gault's kick hit the upright. 6-0.

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WEEK-END SOFTBALL

Warriors Beat The
Saints 6-4

By "TIME OUT"

Playing determined ball at King's Park yesterday, Hank Killean's Warriors broke away from a four-all deadlock in the top of the seventh inning to beat the mighty Saints 6-4, while Olly Vas' youthful Blackhawks kept their slate clean with a convincing 18-6 battering of South-China.

In the Men's Senior "B" Division the only game featured saw Fred Diesta's PI Dodgers running wild in their clash against the HK University students, pounding them with a 25-2 count.

The Junior bracket again produced some basketball scores over the week, with League leaders grimly hanging on to their runs in the Pennant ladder. Playing into extra innings, the War Eagles pushed in two runs in the eighth to shade the Lion Cubs 13-11, while Mario Pereira's flag-chasing Cheyennes suffered a score at the hands of the Junior South China who extended them for seven innings before conceding a narrow 24-26 defeat.

In the other games featured the pace-setting PI Dodgers and Seminoles easily accounted for the Austers and Overseas, trouncing them 20-11 and 21-3 respectively.

Yesterday's feature attraction between the Warriors and Saints saw the reappearance of backstop George Ribeiro in softball as he rejoined his mates and added greatly in the upsetting of the Saints.

With Ribeiro back at his old post, ballhawk Stephen Xavier was given the chance to prove his worth at the windy alley, and this he did as he pulled off the season's first unassisted triple-play.

With bases loaded and none out, Xavier speared Pugh's liner to short, stepped on second, and, seeing Ismail of the Saints on third walking dejectedly back to the bench, raced all the way to third to nail him for the final out.

Ismail, besides partaking in this bonheaded base-running in the first chapter, practically gave the game to the Warriors in the seventh when he misjudged Joey Reis' flyball with one man out to allow the Warriors to pull away from a four-all deadlock.

A NEAT DOUBLE

Trailing 0-1, the Warriors opened their second chapter with a resounding crash! Leading off, manager Hank Killean

INTER-HONG
LAWN BOWLS
DRAW

The following is the draw for the First Round of the Inter-Hong Pairs Lawn Bowls Competition.

All games have been fixed to be played on Sunday, January 6, 1957, at 2.30 p.m. on the greens allocated.

AT HKGC

S. Noble and A. Bailey (RASC) vs. W. C. Higgins and A. W. Hironaka (Prisons).

W. Marshall and S. Skoach (Kln. Dock) vs. C. A. Coelho and W. Baker (Shewan Tomes).

M. J. Divecha and G. Lee (Gen. Comm.) vs. S. S. Telford and A. G. Coles (Kln. Dock).

C. Hutchison and W. L. McCall (Kln. Dock) vs. C. E. Passos and A. A. Lopes (Stanvac).

T. Dooley and J. Duffield (R.N. Dockyard) vs. R. D. Baptista and F. Lee (Lane Crawford).

O. R. Sadick and A. H. Seemlin (Union Ins.) vs. A. K. Sufiad and R. M. Hetherington (Col. Sec.).

R. S. Goutley and W. Gaffney (Kln. Dock) vs. W. Chambers and A. E. Elliott (Kln. Dock).

J. Duffy and K. Bodle (Police) vs. A. J. Hussain and J. A. Benall (Reduction).

A. K. Omar and A. M. Omar (Urban Services) vs. W. Thom and J. S. Landolt (Peat, Marwick).

B. Douglass and N. Fraser (Talkoo Dock) vs. J. Hoosen and D. L. Edwards (Mfrine Dept.).

V. Russell and L. Parker (HKAE) vs. J. C. Fonseca and W. Hong Sling (Shewan Tomes).

H. Black and F. Gardner (Talkoo Dock) vs. M. McKay and W. Riley (Kln. Dock).

AT KCC
R. Lapeley and W. McCall (Kln. Dock) vs. E. M. Ribeiro and F. R. Souza (H.K. Bank).

A. D. Reis and C. L. S. Rozario (Jardins) vs. L. S. Silva and G. Danenberg (Chartered Bank).

S. Howarth and T. Kavanagh (Police) vs. V. Thomas and E. Liddell (H.K. Telephone).

F. D. Angus and A. H. Hsieh (Inland Rev.) vs. A. de Luz and P. de Silva (Net. Turke-Soc.).

All winners of games are requested to note that it is their responsibility to forward (not some one else) to the KCC, immediately after the game, and the Club to the Club Secretary of the Association.

touched off an avalanche of five hits with a neat double to centerfield.

Al Oliveira followed with another two-base smash to right and George Ribeiro walked. After one out, George Wong singled through shortstop for two runs but was later nailed at the plate when he dashed for home on Jimmy Chang's drive through second.

Keeping the rally alive, Dicko Chaves connected timely to centerfield to score Chang in a cloud of dust for run No. 4.

Resting comfortably on a 4-1 lead, the Warrior defence relaxed until the fourth frame when two bunched-up hits by Pugh and Colloco pushed one Saint marker across to close the gap.

The sixth frame, however, saw the Warriors being rudely awakened by another Saint rally. Dave Leonard opened with a smash to centre and when Claude Pugh bunted safely, and Judo Hussain sacrificed at first base, the Warrior infield faltered disastrously and when the dust had settled after the third out, both teams were tied at four-all.

The Warriors were not to be deprived of their triumph, however, and thanks to Ismail of the Saints, they were not, for their half of the final inning saw them capitalising on two bonheaded plays for two runs and the margin of victory.

After the first out Stephen Xavier walked and promptly stole second. Joey Reis then poked a long fly to deep left and that looked like a certain OUT!

But somehow the breaks were not working in favour of the Joys yesterday and outfielder Ismail, who was right under it with opened hands, suddenly found that he in fact was not, for the ball sailed neatly through his mitt and when the elusive ball was finally picked up Xavier had scored and Reis was straddling third.

Killean was given a life when his grounder was played at the plate, Joey Reis sealing the throw by a hair's breadth. Oliveira walked, Fernas forced Killean at third and George Ribeiro singled to bring the sacks, but Wong grounded freely to retire the side.

HEART-BROKEN

Coming in for their final bat, a heartbroken Saint offensive was easily held at bay by Wong's ever-increasing fast balls. Salich grounded, Ozorio stood still on strikes and Ismail walked, but Omar's dribbling roller to the mound was played at first for the third and final out and the Saints' second defeat this season.

Needless to say, top honours went to Warrior shortstop Stephen Xavier who quelled an early Saint uprising with a remarkable unassisted triple play in the first chapter that literally broke the opposition's back.

Capitalising on a ten-run third inning, Olly Vas' rampaging Blackhawks ran roughshod over the weak Nam Wah outfit, unleashing a 14-hit barrage on three pitchers to rake in a convincing 18-6 trouncing over South China for their third consecutive victory.

The big Hawk guns, after a six-week rest, were a sight to watch as pitcher after pitcher was pounded off the mound until veteran slowballer P. C. Wong stepped onto the slab in the final innings to keep them at bay.

Young southpaw Frank Loureiro, who wielded a wicked hooker, spearheaded the Hawks' attack with a masterful four-in-five effort at the plate,

connecting for three triples and a home run.

Facing P. C. Wong in the top of the sixth, young Frank Loureiro jokingly pointed his bat towards centre in a "Babe Ruth" and, sure enough, Wong's first serve was blasted over the scoreboard at centerfield for a home run.

Another slugging southpaw in the Hawk roster, Tony Rodrigues, had two hits in four trips to the plate, one of which was a three-bagger, that sailed over the fence at right field.

Ren Barretto, on the mound for the winners, yielded seven hits and three walks while fanning seven. For the losers, Y. C. Wong, Y. F. Chan and P. C. Wong shared pitching chores with Y. C. Wong being tagged for the loss. In his four-inning tenure on the mound Wong gave up eight telling blows while walking seven and fanning one.

The League's present batting king, L. C. Poon of South China, had a bad day at the plate, going hitless in four trips.

In the minor loop two remarkable incidents were recorded over the week. Playing against the Overseas, K. Abbas of the leading Seminoles had a "full day" at the plate, connecting safely five times in as many trips.

The second incident, more in a humorous vein, occurred in South China's clash with the Cheyennes. With South China runners on second and third and the ball being hit, the runner from second, while breaking for home, overtook the preceding runner in the race to the plate, and was thumbed OUT!

In closing, I take this opportunity to wish all followers of this sport a very Happy and Prosperous New Year! So until next year, as the umpire would say, "TIME OUT!"

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HKCC WIN THE
TRIANGULAR
TOURNAMENT

By "RECORDER"

The 1956/57 Triangular Cricket Tournament will not go down in history as being a particularly interesting or very severely contested one, but it will long be a tournament to remember as far as Optimists' opening bowler K. G. Spink is concerned.

Against the cream of the batting of the three Services, though this may, of course, have been a little curdled up with Christmas cheer, he took 11 wickets for 57 runs in 35.1 overs, of which 18 were maidens.

In the two matches against wicket when the former fell to Henderson after having contributed 26. Leader carried on merrily, as he has been doing for the last month, to be undefeated with 52 when the Cricket Club declared with six wickets down. He had one life when muffed by Welch.

The HKCC won the Tournament yesterday by defeating the Combined RAF and Royal Navy by 89 runs. On Boxing Day they had defeated Army by 40 runs.

Spink was most unfortunate yesterday in that Mike Birley was batting No. 10. Mike doesn't like the 10th or 11th spot and he took it out of Spink, added by Johnson, to the tune of a match analysis changing from five for 19 to six for 35. This included a six in the general direction of the Naval Dockyard.

The Cricket Club lost Donald Leach at 21, Birley's first of only two victims, but then Knight and Pritchard carried on to 104 when the former was held by wicketkeeper Don Welch off Lovejoy.

Pritchard left, a second Lovejoy victim, at 129, having had a life at 24 when he was missed by Alan Taylor at second slip. He had contributed 81.

Stanton and Leader put on a 50-run stand for the fourth time.

The second incident, more in a humorous vein, occurred in South China's clash with the Cheyennes. With South China runners on second and third and the ball being hit, the runner from second, while breaking for home, overtook the preceding runner in the race to the plate, and was thumbed OUT!

In closing, I take this opportunity to wish all followers of this sport a very Happy and Prosperous New Year! So until next year, as the umpire would say, "TIME OUT!"

Sports Diary

TOMORROW

First Day of the Sixth Race Meeting, Happy Valley, noon.

WEDNESDAY

Governor's Cup Annual Charity Match at Club Stadium, 5 p.m. Ex-interpers: Non Chinese v Chinese HKFC, 4.45 p.m.

Combined Services Medal Competition, New Course, Fencing.

Lovejoy and Walker both departed at 101 and then came the spilling of analyses as Ebby took 12 and Johnson an undefeated nine in a last wicket stand of 25.



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and Prosperity
during 1957



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NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

1	Small palm	1	Small palm
2	It writes	2	It writes
3	Change	3	Change
4	Orthography	4	Orthography
5	Noise	5	Noise
6	Several words	6	Several words
7	Instruct	7	Instruct
8	Word list	8	Word list
9	Kind of writing	9	Kind of writing
10	Order	10	Order
11	Creation	11	Creation
12	Notes	12	Notes
13	Alter	13	Alter
14	Not a story book	14	Not a story book

Solution on Page 9

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SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

WORLD'S LARGEST
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POWER STATION

Work will begin shortly on the
world's largest atomic power station.
It will be constructed for the South of
Scotland Electricity Board.

The station has been designed
by the GEC-Simon-Carves
Atomic Energy Group. The
GEC, as main contractor, is to
be completely responsible for
the whole project, the value
and scope of which probably
exceeds that of any other single
contract hitherto placed with a
British industrial organisation.

Power will be derived from
the heat generated by a con-
trolled nuclear fission chain
reaction in two nuclear reactors.
The principle of operation will
be similar to that of the Calder
Hall reactors in that the natural
uranium fuel will be contained
within a pile of graphite
moderator material and the heat
extracted by circulating carbon
dioxide gas under pressure.

Mowlem (Scotland) Ltd., who
will be the civil contractor.

The cylindrical core of each
reactor, 28 ft. high and 50 ft.
in diameter, is built up of 2,000
tons of graphite blocks contain-
ing vertical channels for the
fuel elements and control rods.

Each of the 3,288 fuel chan-
nels contains 10 individual fuel
elements stacked in a column
one on top of the other. The
element consists of a bar of
natural uranium metal, sealed in
a magnesium alloy can which is
lined to assist heat extraction.

The total charge of uranium
in the two reactors is 500 tons.

PRESSURE VESSELS

The reactor core rests on a
grid made of steel plates ar-
ranged in "egg-box" fashion.
Surrounding the sides and top
of the core is an inner steel
shell made of relatively thin
steel plate.

A 70ft. diameter spherical
pressure vessel, welded from 3
in. thick steel plate and weigh-
ing nearly 1,000 tons, complet-
ely encloses the core and inner
shell. The double-shell con-
struction enables the best
materials to be used for each
purpose: a temperature resist-
ant steel for the outer, inner
shell, and a tough, non-brittle
steel for the spherical vessel
which has to withstand the full
working gas pressure.

Protection from nuclear
radiation is provided by a 9 ft.
—10 ft. thick concrete bio-
logical shield surrounding the core
and forming one face of the 180
ft. high reactor building.

CHARGE AND DISCHARGE

Charge and discharge of the
fuel elements in a channel, 10
at a time, is accomplished by a
single remotely-controlled
machine situated in a shielded
chamber beneath the reactor.

For a base load power station
it is obviously undesirable to
have to shut-down the reactor
to change the fuel. The charge/
discharge machine is, therefore,
designed so that the removal of
spent or damaged fuel elements
and the charging of fresh fuel
can be carried out while the
reactor is on load and under
pressure.

The charge/discharge machine
is controlled from a room in the
reactor building where the
sequence of operations is viewed
on close-circuit television
screens.

STEAM RAISING UNITS

Heat is extracted from the
nuclear reactor by a coolant gas,
carbon dioxide, circulated
throughout the system under a
pressure of 150 lb. per sq. in.
Gas passes upwards through the
fuel channels in the reactor
core, becomes heated, and is led
away to the steam raising units
where it gives up its heat to
water with the formation of steam.

Eight units are radially dis-
posed in pairs round each re-
actor. They contain banks of
steel tubes through which the
water and steam flow; as with
the fuel cans, the steam raising
unit tubes are fitted to provide
an extended surface and thus
improve the efficiency of heat
transfer.

The 16 units for the complete
station contain about 300 miles
of tubing.
In the base of each 210 ton
unit is an electrically driven
2,200 h.p. blower which recircu-
lates the cool gas through the
reactor.

TURBINE HALL

Steam from the steam raising
units is piped over a bridge to
the 700 ft. long turbine hall
containing six 60,000 kilowatt
dual pressure turbo-generator
sets. Apart from all the ancil-
lary feed heating and condensing
plant, the turbine hall also
houses the main control room in
which the control of the reac-
tors, heat exchangers and turbo-
generators is centralized.

COOLING POND

Between the two reactor
buildings is an 18 ft. deep cool-
ing pond in which the irradiated
or "spent" fuel elements are
allowed to "cool-off" radioac-
tively before being re-processed.

MORE POWER FOR FARMERS



Behind the design of this new British tractor is a wealth of practical
experience accumulated over the years by the operation of machines of varying
horse power in all parts of the world.

The new tractor — the David Brown "900" — has more power than
previous models. This has been achieved by incorporating the latest develop-
ments in fuel pump and injection equipment. The development of the rotary
type distributor pump has enabled this firm to increase the working speed of the
engine and at the same time obtain a higher thermal efficiency.

By ensuring that the full engine power can be utilised at the drawbar,
the David Brown company is providing a high powered tractor which can give
results in terms of extra power to the farmer. This means, for example, that a
4-furrow plough can be handled in many conditions or, alternatively, that 3-
furrow ploughing can be carried out at a faster rate.—C10.

NEW OILFIELDS DISCOVERED

Paris, Dec. 30.
The newly discovered Karamal
oilfields in northern Sindh are
already providing regular oil
supplies. The New China news
agency reported tonight.

More than 30 test wells were
drilled in Karamal this year,
most of which have proved suc-
cessful.

Natural gas, usually coexist-
ing with oil, was found exten-

sively in this year's exploration
over an area of 4,000 square
kilometres adjacent to Karamal.

Both of these discoveries were
regarded as indications of much
greater oil deposits in Karamal
than the previous estimates of
100 million tons, the agency
said.

In Haifa, it was learned that
Israel's firm, undersea oil ex-

ploration is to start shortly near
the Mediterranean coast at the
historic Roman settlement of
Caesarea, near Haifa.

Oil prospecting by Israeli and
foreign concessionaires has in-
creased in recent months. The
Israel continental oil drilling
company is shortly to begin
drilling in the Tibrean area near
Lake Galilee and in the Beisan
Valley.—France-Press.

RADIO MULTICHANNEL
TELEPHONE FOR
INDIAN RAILWAY

An important order for a
Very High Frequency Radio
Multichannel Telephone System
linking Jamnagar and Rajkot,
and Bhavnagar and Surat, has
been placed with Marconi's
Wireless Telegraph Company
Limited by the Government of
India on behalf of Western
Railways, Bombay.

The system, which has a
potential capacity of 48 two-way
telephone circuits between
Jamnagar and Rajkot, and 24
between Bhavnagar and Surat,
will be equipped initially to
provide 4 circuits. The
Bhavnagar to Surat link is ap-
proximately 58 miles without
any intermediate station.

The whole route has been
surveyed by Marconi engineers
in co-operation with the tele-
communication engineers of
Western Railways to ensure the
selection of the best possible

sites for the radio stations from
the viewpoints of radio propa-
gation and physical access.

This will be the first Radio
Multichannel system to be in-
stalled in the Republic of India.
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means of communication and
shows the progressive approach
of Western Railways under its
General Manager, Mr. M. Gana-
pathi, to the problems of in-
creasing the traffic handling
capacity of Western Railways.
This is a typical example of the
bold attitude of Modern India.

Marconi's have surveyed and
installed Multichannel Radio
Telephone Systems on every
continent. The scale of the
Company's activities in this
field is indicated by the fact
that the total telephone channel
miles of Marconi radio multi-
channel systems completed to
date would go fifteen times
round the world.

NEW NAVIGATIONAL AID

It can now be revealed
that for the past two years
Marconi's have been in
quantity production with an
Airborne "Doppler"
Navigator, for use in the
most modern aircraft.

Several years ago, sponsored
by the British Ministry of
Supply, the Marconi Company
began the development of a
highly accurate navigational
device which was to be self-
contained and independent of
any ground-based apparatus.

The very considerable ex-
perience of the company was
brought to bear on the problem,
and the efforts of the Marconi
development team successfully
culminated in the Type AD.2000
"Doppler" Navigator, the first
British equipment of this kind.

Until recently, the Navigator
was subject to complete security
restriction, but a general
description can now be given.

The Type AD.2000 is entirely
independent of ground station
facilities. Used with the air-
craft's gyro-compass and a suit-
able computer, it can provide
an automatic and continuous
flow of navigational informa-
tion such as immediate position
in latitude and longitude, track
guidance, distance run or dis-
tance to go, estimated time of
arrival, and wind velocity.
These facilities are made
possible by the determination
of the aircraft's ground speed
and drift to a very high order
of accuracy.

The Type AD.2000 is virtually
unaffected by weather condi-
tions.

This equipment is being
supplied to certain Common-
wealth countries as well as to
the Royal Air Force. When it
is released for general use it
should be of the greatest im-
portance to the Civil Aviation
world where it offers immense
possibilities as a general system
of navigation.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



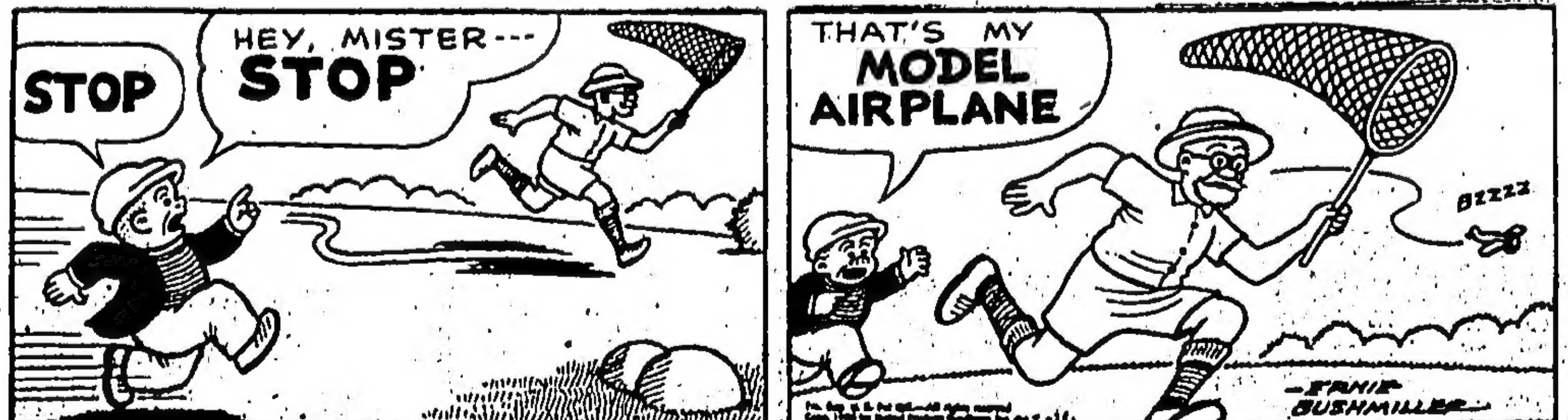
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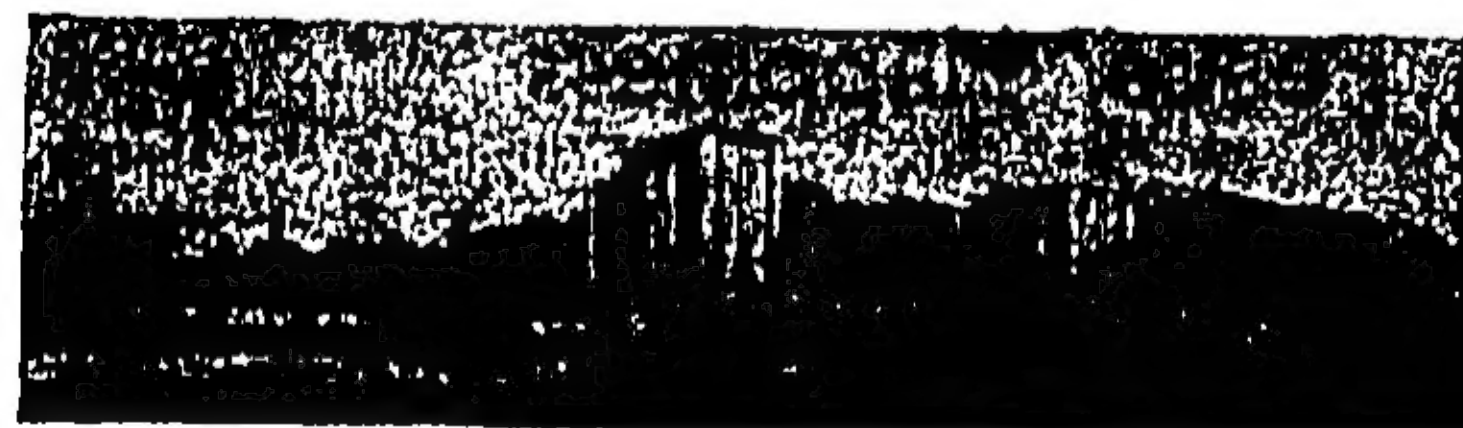
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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Continuation Of Age Of Plenty In United States IMPELLED BY AUTOMATION AND ATOMIC ENERGY

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Dec. 30.

The year 1957 promises to be a continuation of the age of plenty for America's 165 millions. Impelled by new horizons of atomic energy and automation, the US industrial juggernaut appears poised at year-end for what might well be its most productive effort in history.

There'll be more people working. They'll have more money to spend; and lots more leisure in which to indulge their every want. And there'll be lots and lots of new gadgets and trinkets to buy, ranging from pep-pills to build-your-own-with-a-do-it-yourself kit and airconditioned chrome-beribboned cadillacs.

In the broadest terms, that's how America's economy is expected to size up the next twelve months.

At year-end, the fourth quarter boom which rolled up new peaks in production, employment, income and spending, promises to carry over into 1957. Some segments of the economy will experience some adjustments. New peaks in output will be felt by most industries. Some, however, just some, tempered by seasonal variations and the fact that the year-end 1956 figures are well ahead of 1956 according to the consensus.

Forecast

Here is what the experts see for the next twelve months:

1. The gross national product (total value of all goods and services produced) will probably show an improvement over last year's, thus marking the eighth time in the past 10 years that the nation's volume of business achieved a new peak. Higher prices will probably account for about half of the 1957 increase.

2. America's industries as a whole will continue to expand at a rapid rate. The annual rate of increase in production will be about 10 per cent. This is a continuation of the upward trend from 1956. Neither the presidential elections nor the Middle East crisis appear to have had a significant effect on the industry's expansion. Major increases are scheduled in steel, non-ferrous metals, chemicals, and petroleum refining.

3. The Federal Reserve production index will probably average around 140 in 1957, compared with an estimated 143

this year. Some experts figure the index might be as high as 150 by next autumn.

4. Personal spending will probably increase by about 100 million and corporate dividends by over 100 million; an increase in outlays by Federal and local governments.

Oil Industry

5. The oil industry in 1957 experienced increases in demand of 5.5 per cent in the United States and almost twice that amount abroad. Business is expected to continue to the present high level next year. Exports, however, will probably be cut by 10 per cent. The US demand and more than twice that amount in foreign demand, and the impact of the Suez Canal situation. According to the Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), without the Suez Canal and the Iran pipeline, exports from the United States could increase as much as 500,000 barrels daily, or 5.5 per cent of the 1956 domestic and export demand. At the same time foreign demand will increase by about the same amount. The general effect of the Suez Canal crisis is to increase US exports of crude oil and products but lower export by a greater amount from the Middle East.

6. Automobiles: The general thinking is that the industry will turn out about 500,000 cars next year over an estimated 4,000,000 units for 1956. The industry is confident about its 1957 market as far as this year. However, the spring buying season should give a better picture as to the industry's potential. Last year, some 7.9 million cars were produced but the industry suffered from a big inventory most of the year as consumers failed to buy. The carryover has since been whittled to more manageable proportions.

7. Steel Output this year is estimated at about 2,000,000 tons, or 10 per cent more than the 1955 total of 1,770,000 tons. Due mainly to production losses during the summer, the year-end output should run in the neighborhood of about 115 to 120 million tons, with a good chance that production might even set new records. Shipments will probably continue to be held in some items, notably construction steel and pipes, both of which are now in heavy demand.

Rubber

8. Rubber: Consumption of raw rubber in 1956 in the US was about 1,440,000 long tons, or about 90,000 tons less than the all-time peak reached in 1955, according to John L. Collier, Chairman of the Goodrich Company. The outlook for 1957 is that the US will consume about 1,500,000 tons of new rubber, with a change that it can't establish a new consumption record. This forecast is predicted on heavy consumption by the American Motor Vehicle production. At least 61 per cent of total new rubber consumed in the US this year was domestically produced man-made rubbers, compared with 58.5 per cent in 1956. Usage of domestic rubber will undoubtedly show further gains in 1957. World consumption of rubbers this year will set a new record of nearly 3,000,000 tons, it was estimated.

In addition, many experts look for an increase in the volume of retail sales over 1956; an increase in the accumulation of business inventories; a tremendous surge toward greater industrial integration and automation; major advances in the field of atomic energy.

US industry is planning to spend at least 1.5 billion to develop office automation, and 5 billions more will be spent in other fields to cut production costs.

Many companies now find themselves caught in a cost squeeze.

Reduction

For some the only way out is for some further reduction in production costs—and that means more and more automation. Automation took a giant step forward in 1956, and much of the hue and cry against it has disappeared. Labour leaders, still publicly fearful of the implications of automation, are pressing for a form of guaranteed annual wage as a basis for new wage pacts. But some labour leaders, nonetheless, now concede that the new technology is not a threat to employment but offers just as many—if not more—jobs.

In the field of atomic energy, American industry began construction or received contracts of the building of 59 new nuclear reactors. In addition, to these projects, industry carried forward work on previously awarded contracts for 17 reactors of various types and completed construction of two reactors which had been on order. In 1956, contracts were signed to build 8 uranium ore processing mills, a feed element manufacturing plant, 7 critical facilities, 3 zirconium and 2 beryllium production facilities. In addition, 134 industrial firms began using radioactive isotopes for the first time, bringing the total of industrial users in the United States to 121 firms.

General Mood

Although the general mood in the US is one of confidence, with most manufacturers showing a good backlog of unfilled orders, heightened international tensions have introduced new uncertainties into the business outlook. —United Press

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET REVIEW

By WILLIAM T. PLUNKETT

New York, Dec. 30.

Cotton futures edged upward in a holiday week

At Friday's close the list ruled unchanged to 10 points—unchanged to 80 cents a bale—higher than the preceding week. Activity broadened in the final session with most of the interest concentrated in the nearby March delivery. Spot interests were accredited sellers of around 50,000 bales, supposedly liquidation against spot cotton purchases.

The large-scale offerings were taken up by trade interests and mill accounts, supposedly for year-end covering operations. While the business was being carried out, the March contract advanced within a five point range, finishing the week unchanged at 34 cents a pound. Interest in later deliveries slackened with activity in new crop months coming to a halt at frequent long intervals.

Uncertainty about the government loan rate for the 1957 crop, and the question of producer participation in the sell bank programme, as well as new farm legislation expected when Congress reconvenes, restrained activity in deferred months.

CONTRACTION

Exports continued to run well ahead of last year. Total clearances for the season to date reached 2,457,284 bales, or about 3½ times the volume cleared in the same period last season. However, some quarters wondered whether the current high rate could be maintained in face of the contraction in European industrial activity resulting from the fuel shortage. Opinions commenced to differ on the probable effect of the sell bank programme. Analysts conceded the programme may eliminate as much as four million acres from the 1957 allotment of 17.6 million acres. However, it was felt a big part of the land going into the bank may be the poorer, low-yielding acres, and that cultivation may be intensified on the higher-yield land. —United Press

The Bank Of France Statement

Paris, Dec. 30.
The Bank of France statement for the week ended Dec. 20, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings	301,222,204
Total other currencies	14,239,823,260
Sight balance abroad	49,106,100,000
Advance to Stabilization Fund	67,400,000,000
Total bills discounted	1,702,613,944,478
Bank notes in circulation	2,902,280,475,003
Current accounts and deposits	133,689,000,277

—United Press

Free World Leads Steel Production

New York, Dec. 30.

The non-Communist nations hold a 3-to-1 edge in steel production over the Communist bloc, according to Iron Age, national metal-working weekly.

U. S. and non-Communist countries poured an estimated 236.6 million ingot tons of steel this year, compared with about 81.1 million tons produced by Russia, China and other Soviet-bloc countries.

U. S. steel production in 1956 will be about 115 million tons, compared with a reported 55 million tons for Russia. This is better than a 2-to-1 edge for the United States, a comedown from eight years ago, when the ratio was 4.75-to-1. The U. S. margin is still considerable, however—60 million tons.

Long range plans of the end-dominated countries call for a major boost in production. By 1960 non-Communist nations will have ingot capacity of over 300 million tons. Soviet orbit nations have set their sights on a goal of 107 million tons during the same period.

This would give the West 73.7 per cent of world capacity, compared with 78.7 today.

Due largely to the U. S. strike this summer, steel production in the West rose only 4 per cent over 1955, compared with a 10.7 per cent advance for the Soviet-bloc nations. Percentages for the Communist share of world output rose only from 23 per cent in 1955 to 24.4 per cent in 1956—an increase of 6.1 per cent.

Most of the difference is accounted for in the decline of U. S. production in 1956 amounting to 1.7 per cent from the previous year. Russia meanwhile increased her production from 49.9 to 55.7 million tons, an advance of 10.1 per cent, according to Iron Age.—United Press

SWISS WATCH INDUSTRY BREAKS RECORD

Zurich, Switzerland, Dec. 30.

The Swiss watch industry has broken its 1955 export record of 1,076,999,379 francs (US\$251,587,054) by a slight margin, official but incomplete figures show.

The final 1956 figures, officials of the Swiss watch industry predicted, will be around 1,200,000,000 francs (US\$280,320,000), while the number of exported watch units will have increased from 30,171,573 in 1955 to between 40,000,000 and 41,000,000 in 1956.

The officials attributed this increase of watch exports to more liberal import practices on some markets and increased sales propaganda on other markets. —United Press

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$474,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			
HK Bank	1000	10	1000
East Asia	248		
INSURANCES			
Union			850
SHIPPING			
Wharfedale			
(O)	71	7.33	6000 @ 7.30
(N)	0.83	0.93	3000 @ 0.90
DOCKS, ETC			
K. Wharf	475	40	1000 @ 48
Providence	131	13.00	
LAND, ETC			
HK Hotel	15	15.20	1500 @ 15.10
HK Land	01	011	800 @ 011
Really	1.35	1.40	6000 @ 1.35
RUBBER			
Amalg	1.921	1.85	5000 @ 1.921
UTILITIES			
Tram	23.40	23.00	1000 @ 23.10
Star Ferry	130	142	200 @ 141
Yuenail	103	104	400 @ 103
C. Light (O)	23.30	23.00	100 @ 23.70
Electric	311	312	200 @ 311
Macao F			
Telephone			
(O)	24.00	23	
(N)	23.70		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	381	384	200 @ 381
STORES, ETC			
Dair	15.20	15.40	200 @ 15.40
Watson	13.30		
COTTONS			
Textile	4.30		
Sanyang	7	7.10	2000 @ 7.05
INVESTMENTS			
Vanuxem			
Allied			4.90

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1)	16.13
Sterling notes (per £1)	16.20
Australian notes (per £1)	12.73
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	16.20
Siam tical (per 100)	27.00
Singapore (Straits)	1.80

WALL STREET MAKES LATE RECOVERY

By ELMER WALZER

New York, Dec. 30.

Wall Street took last week's three trading days to put its financial houses in order. There was a spurt in trading. Daily average volume rose to 2,556,946 shares, well up from the previous week's 2,252,915 shares, and the largest daily average since May 11 when it was 2,570,086 shares.

The net result was an irregular gain. Industrials closed the week at 490.41 up 2.03 on the week and up 23.03 for the month of December; rails 158.56 off 0.14 and up 1.67; utilities 68.32 up 0.87 and 1.91; and 65 stocks up 0.60 and up 6.20.

The market was closed for the Christmas holiday on Tuesday and on next Monday. It is a tradition in the financial district to maintain an open market the day before New Year's for belated year-end trades.

Wall Street thinks they are about cleaned up. It thought the same the week before and was wrong. However, the market already has had something of a year-end rally—a good one for the industrials and utilities and a baby one for the lagged rails.

Rails Behind

Rails are well behind the other sections on the year. To date their average is down 0.78 points from the 1955 close while industrials are up 8.01 points and utilities up 3.16 points.

Oil shares featured the market as a group on the upside. Gulf gained 7½ in the internationals. Amerasia featured the domestic with a rise of

NAMESAKES

Answers: 1. Shortland, 2. Pencil, 3. Reform, 4. Spelling, 5. Sound, 6. Phrase, 7. Teach, 8. Vocabulary, 9. Phonography, 10. Dictate, 11. Invention, 12. Memoranda, 13. Change, 14. Dictionary.
Six Isaac Pitman (Inventor of Shortland).

US TEXTILE INDUSTRY CONFIDENT OF COMING YEAR

New York, Dec. 30.

The American textile industry stands at the threshold of the New Year with "measured confidence" provided the question of imports from the so-called low-wage countries is successfully resolved.

Industry spokesman, F. E. Grier, President, American Cotton Manufacturers Institute, Inc., made this forecast in a year-end summation of the textile industry and its problems.

Manufacturers confidence in the future, he said, was demonstrated by an outlay of almost all kind of new equipments.

The backlog of unfilled orders for cotton goods as the year approached a close was equivalent to 11 weeks production. Volume of new business taken in October was the highest monthly total in several years. Final production figures for 1956 are expected to show a slight gain over the 10.1 billion yards of cotton woven goods turned out in 1955.

Volume Lower

Another note of confidence in what 1957 looks in store for the industry came in October when the industry boosted textile wages 10 cents an hour. This pay boost came, Grier emphasized, only after the government indicated it would take steps to reduce the textile industry's tax burden. —United Press

Imports of Japanese-made fabrics and apparel.

Analyzing the export-import picture, Grier said the outward flow of American-made textiles was running at around 800 million yards a year. This would be about eight per cent less than last year's volume and stand as the lowest year's volume since 1942.

Conversely, he said, imports of foreign-made cloth from all sources for the first nine months were running about 55 per cent over the 1955 mark.

The American textile mills, the cotton farmers best customers, Grier reminded, consumed 9,059,000 bales of raw cotton during the year ended October 31, compared with 9,077,000 bales in the preceding year.

J. Spencer, Chairman, Burlington Industries, Inc., the industry's highest record of steady progress, and predicted a "dynamic industry in 1957." —United Press

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SHEAFFERS



ADDITIONAL CHARGES

Chan Wan-Kit, 22, unemployed, of 102 Hillwood Road, third floor, who was originally charged with impersonating a Police officer, was this morning additionally charged on two counts of larceny from the person and larceny by trick, before Mr F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy.

Defendant, who pleaded not guilty, was offered bail of \$2,000 or seven days remand in gaol custody.

Mr d'Almada fixed the date for hearing for January 28 at 2.30 p.m.

Prison For Triad Society Man

A 23-year-old car cleaner, Chan Han, of 207 Hillwood Road, first floor, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment by Mr F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy this morning for being a member of an unlawful society.

He was cautioned on a second charge of possessing instruments for unlawful purpose, and he was fined \$300 or two months for breach of a \$300 bond.

In addition, he was ordered to be placed under Police supervision for two years after serving the prison term.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

Holiday Arrangements
Tomorrow, January 1, 1957, the public counters at the Victoria, Hongkong, Kowloon Central and Shamshuipo Post Offices will open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wanchai from 10 a.m. to Noon.

The box lobbies at the Victoria and Kowloon Central Post Offices will open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shamshuipo, from 9 a.m. to Noon and Wanchai from 10 a.m. to Noon only. All other Post Offices will be closed. There will be one general delivery of correspondence commencing at 10 a.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31
By Air
Burns, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain and Europe, 8 p.m.
Lima, 9 p.m.
Peking, Shanghai, Kuremura, Hankow, 9 p.m.
By Surface
Thailand, 2 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Present For Elizabeth

THE wife was in bed and asleep, when her husband came back. She woke as he fumbled for light switches and stumbled about the furnished room that was, in their middle-age, their home. Half fearful the wife, whose name was Elizabeth, waited to see what her husband's next move would be. There were times when he came home drunk and foul-tempered. There were other times when...

FROM THE FLATS
THERE was something like tenderness in his voice, and in his outstretched hand he held something that glinted under the light. Elizabeth took the offering. It was costume jewellery, and said: "Where did you get it?" "At the flats," said her husband, whose name was Alan, "Got it at the flats, for you."

"Well, thank you, dear," Elizabeth said, and putting down the trifle turned over and prepared for sleep again, wondering vaguely how the flats where Alan had been working for two days as a porter, could have provided him with a gift for her.

HAD THEM YEARS
THE thought was still with her when she awoke in the morning. "Those things you brought home," she said, "where did you get them?" "At the flats, I told you," said Arthur. "I picked them." "Oh, Alan," Elizabeth said, "and I thought you'd finished with that sort of thing." "Oh, shut up," he said. "Alan was at work when the police called. They found the bits of costume jewellery, though Elizabeth had put them into a vase for safekeeping. "Where did you get these?" the policeman asked. "Oh, I've had them for years," said Elizabeth. "They're only cheap things."

WHY SHOULD I ADMIT
LOYALTY plus experience made her speak so. She had seen her husband sent to prison before. The policeman went away. But not for long. Soon he was back. "If you have had these things for years," he said, showing the baubles, "how do you account for their having been stolen from the flats where your husband works?" "Well, if he wasn't going to admit it why should I?" Elizabeth asked, summoning woman's logic to her aid.

DIFFERENT DOORS
ALAN was sent from the court while the case against Elizabeth was heard. At its conclusion, Mr E. G. Robey, the magistrate, said: "It has to be proved that at the time you received these goods you knew they were stolen. What happens afterwards isn't anything like so important. Nothing like a case of receiving has been made out against you, so the charge is dismissed."

Elizabeth was shown out, Alan shown in. The story of his past was told—from his boyhood days in Liverpool, through the good days when he did well in the Merchant Navy, to the bad, when he took to drinking bottles and crime—behind nine previous convictions for dishonesty. He was sent to prison for three months.

Wife and husband left the court by different doors, to different destinations. The strain upon their marriage was fearful. The way of their going suggested their marriage would survive.

Exceeded The Speed Limit

Two lorry drivers were each fined \$50 or seven days for speeding by Mr I. T. Morris at Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Sub-Inspector J. P. Wilson told the court that the first defendant, To Puck-ching of 428 Prince Edward Road, ground floor, was speeding on September 28 along Prince Edward Road from Fuk Lo Chuen Road to Pentland Street, exceeding the limit of 20 miles an hour by 10 to 12 miles an hour.

The second defendant, Chong Kong-chung of 612 Shanghai Street, first floor, was also speeding along Prince Edward Road on October 3 from the junction of Waterloo Road to the railway bridge. His speed was 25 to 27 miles per hour.

Quarry Manager Faces Charges

Chu Leung-tung, 33, Manager of the Flat Hill Quarry, Ngai Chi Wan, Kowloon City, appeared before Mr F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy this morning on charges of obstructing a Police officer in the execution of his duty, using abusive language to the officer, and damaging Government property.

Defendant, through his counsel, Mr Peter Sin of Peter Sin and Co., pleaded not guilty to all charges. He was allowed bail of \$1,000 and remanded seven days. The Magistrate fixed his date for January 10 and 20 at 9.30 a.m.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"How about a really big New Year's celebration, Lucille? Then I can get disgusted and keep my resolution!"

Moving Performance By The Hongkong Singers

I find myself once more taking up my pen to write in praise of the Hongkong Singers. On Friday night this fine choir performed the Requiem Mass by Mozart as part of the bicentenary celebration of this composer's birth. The performance given in St John's Cathedral was most moving and a fitting tribute.

The choir under the direction of Dr L. T. Rids, were well-balanced and produced a beautiful tone which was even more enhanced by the acoustics of the cathedral. In a building, such as a large church or cathedral which has a long reverberation time, one might expect that many of the words of the choruses would be lost. This was not so on Friday; could I say more in praise of the clear diction of the Singers?

The solo parts were sung by Hilary Carr (Soprano), Joan Tardiff (Contralto), Peter Scales (Tenor), and Chow Wai-sun (Bass). With four such well-blended singers, it is perhaps unfair to single out one but I feel compelled to mention Mr Chow Wai-sun. I must confess that I have not heard this soloist before and it is to my loss. I hope to hear him often in the future.

ACCOMPANIMENT

We are very fortunate in Hongkong in having a number of first class pianists who devote much of their time to accompaniment. We must include in these Miss Isolda Ahwee who shared the honours in the accompaniment with a small orchestra. Miss Ahwee played with great delicacy and sympathy which helped so much towards the final polished result.

The orchestral accompaniment was by eight string players and a trombonist and was led by S. M. Bard. I understand that they were playing at every short notice; this was not apparent in their performance. The only criticism I have is that there were not nearly enough of them. At times these nine instruments had to struggle hard to produce a sufficient breadth of tone to match that from about 60 singers.

Taken as a whole, the performance was of the highest standard. It was not faultless, but then one could hardly expect a faultless performance. The few faults were very minor, almost unnoticeable, and certainly excusable in relation to the final product. To mention them here would be misleading and would give the wrong impression of a most creditable and praiseworthy performance.

REPEAT PERFORMANCE

One final word of praise must go to the designer of the printed programme. He provided us with a wealth of valuable and interesting information. Such a programme is a member of the audience, well worth the time and effort spent on its construction.

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HOSPITAL CRITICISED BY COUNSEL

Defence Counsel in a murder trial at the Criminal Sessions suggested this morning that the treatment of a man who died in Kowloon Hospital showed "disgraceful negligence on the part of the hospital."

Mr Terence Shurlock, defending an 18-year-old odd job coolie, Leung Kuen, on a murder charge, made the remark during cross-examination of Dr Henry Lee, medical officer at the Hospital.

Leung was alleged to have stabbed Ng Koon-kau, a factory worker, in the neck and back on August 1. Ng died from the neck wound, which turned septic, 12 days later.

Mr M. Morley-John, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting Leung. He is defended by Mr Shurlock, instructed by Mr J. C. Wilman, of Johnson, Stokes and Masters.

Answering questions by Mr Shurlock, Dr Lee said he was qualified to practise on December 1956.

In reply to more queries, witness said he examined Ng Koon-kau on August 1. Ng was suffering from a neck wound and two wounds in the back. In his opinion, the back wounds had no connection with the death of the deceased.

CLOSED WOUND
Dr Lee said he did not suture the neck wound at the time because he feared that infection might occur. The patient was detained in hospital until August 3. Before his discharge, he (witness) closed the neck wound. His general condition was good.

He gave the patient an antibiotic injection before his discharge.

Asked if the neck wound was such that it was a danger to life, Dr Lee said it was not a mortal wound at the time. In general, however, a wound on the neck was dangerous because of its position and depth.

Further questions, witness said the antibiotics used were penicillin. His senior colleague at first thought of transferring the patient to Laichikok Hospital, but when it was found that his condition was good—he having received anti-biotics for three days—it was decided to discharge him.

Dr Lee said the patient was told that he should return to the hospital if he had any complaints.

VARYING RESPONSE
Witness agreed with Counsel that not everyone responded the same way to the same kind of anti-biotics. He agreed further that it was possible to ascertain the type of anti-biotics suitable for a particular person. This was done by obtaining a specimen of the wounded person's pus and examining it.

In the present case, the patient did not have any pus on the outside of the wound. After his death, a post-mortem showed the existence of abscess behind the throat.

Mr Shurlock put it to witness that he did not make a complete diagnosis of the patient's trouble. Dr Lee agreed. He said he had diagnosed that pus in his examination.

Witness agreed that had he detected the abscess he would have been able to get a specimen of the pus, and it would have been possible for him to ascertain what type of anti-biotics to which the patient would respond.

Dr Lee denied that his diagnosis had been "highly negligent and highly incompetent." He agreed, however, that there was a chance that the patient might still be alive if a more complete diagnosis had been made.

Further questions, witness said the deceased died of poisoning of the blood as a result of the wound.

DID NOT RESPOND
The second time the patient was admitted to the hospital was on August 9, Dr Lee stated. He was given penicillin and streptomycin until August 12. He did not seem to respond to these, so he was given another anti-biotic.

Witness said such a treatment normally would have been sufficient. Since he did not respond to it, he added, he concluded that the hospital had done its best for him.

Mr Shurlock asked the doctor if he was aware that the deceased came to the hospital on August 8, but was told to come back the following morning. Witness said he must have been told to come back.

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No China Mail Tomorrow

There will be no issue of the China Mail tomorrow (New Year's Day), but publication will resume on Wednesday with an early edition.

The South China Morning Post will appear as usual tomorrow, but will not then resume publication until Thursday.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.
8.30 Children's Programme. Tunes by Today.
9.00 Written and Read by H.E. Todd. 9.15 Time Signal. 9.20 News. 9.30 Bandstand. (BBC75). 9.40 Her Majesty's Goldstream Guards. Conducted by Douglas Pope. 9.50. Commentary. 10.00. Stop Press. 10.15. Melodies and Memories (BBC78). 10.30. "Show Business—1956". 10.45. News. 10.50. From the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The Right Hon. A.J. Leveson-Bovill. 11.00. Jazz Club (BBC78). New Year Programme. Christmas Jazz Band and Humphrey Lyttelton and His Band. 11.15. Time Signal. The News and Home News from Britain. 11.30. London Again (BBC78). Eric Coates Conducting The Philharmonia Orchestra. 11.45. Piano Concerto. On A Minor. Op. 16 (Grieg). Clifford Curzon (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra. Conducted by Antonio Pappalardo. 12.00. The Robert Shaw Choral Society. Conducted by Robert Shaw. 12.30. The Good Show (BBC78). Peter Sellers, Henry Scott and Spike Milligan in "The Man Who Never Was" (Film) (Repeat of last Saturday's broadcast). 12.45. News. 1.00. 11. Time Signal. Radio News Reel. 1.15. "Dance to Your Favourites of 1956". 1.30. The News from St John's Cathedral. Ring out the Old Year! 12 Midnight New Year Chimes. 1.45. Last Year's New Year Wishes. "All Join In" Memories in Popular Song and New Year Eve and New Year Party. 2.00. Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

2.00. Variety. Cello the Tune. 2.15. Musical Matinee—Featuring Errol Garner and the Art Van Dorne Quintet. 2.30. Studio 129. Lopez-Willy. Guest Stars: 1. Romanes of the World—Mary Ann Clark. 2. Popular Feet Time. 3. The News. 3.15. The House of Peter McGovern. 3.30. Time Signal and the News. 3.45. Weather Report and Announcements. 3.55. Benny Goodman Show. 4.00. Radio. 4.15. With Axel Stordahl. 4.30. Orchestra. 4.45. The Top in Popular Music. 5.00. Time Signal. News and Home News from Britain. 5.15. New Year Messages from the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The Right Hon. A.J. Leveson-Bovill. 5.30. Monday. 5.45. The Philharmonia Orchestra. Conducted by Antonio Pappalardo. 6.00. The House of Peter McGovern. 6.15. Time Signal and the News. 6.30. Weather Report and Announcements. 6.45. Benny Goodman Show. 7.00. Radio. 7.15. With Axel Stordahl. 7.30. Orchestra. 7.45. The Top in Popular Music. 8.00. Time Signal. News and Home News from Britain. 8.15. 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